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JEW AND ARABS AGAIN AGREE

MALAYA LATEST BRITISH OFFICER KILLED

Singapore, July 18.—Malayan terrorists today killed a British officer of a Gurkha regiment in a clash at Bidor, 40 miles south of Ipoh.

The Gurkhas killed one terrorist and sent the rest fleeing when they surprised a group of between 20 and 30 armed men. The officer killed was the first British casualty in the operations against the terrorists and the second Army casualty after the killing of a Gurkha lance corporal at Kajang, Selangor, yesterday.

In a nine-hour sweep at Kajang today, the Gurkhas recovered the body of the lance corporal, captured two suspects carrying important documents, but they made no contact with the terrorists.

TERRORISTS SLAIN

Near Kampu, 20 miles from Bidor, the police yesterday killed two terrorists, wounded four and captured seven in a dawn raid on a group of about 30 they had surprised drilling in uniform.

Fifty-five persons have been killed and 12 wounded by terrorists since July 1, the Straits Times estimated. In addition, an Australian planter, Mr. John R. Ruffy, of the Kuantan district, is still missing after an ambush about a fortnight ago.

In Singapore, the police were today throwing "aprons" of barbed wire around all police stations as a precaution against attacks. It was feared that terrorism might spread to Singapore at any time—Roulet.

SINGAPORE BARRICADES

Singapore, July 18.—Barbed-wire barricades are being built around all Singapore police stations. It was officially announced today.

The Deputy Police Commissioner, Mr. J. C. Barry, said the action was a precaution "to minimise the danger of attacks on police stations by Communist insurgents have been frequent in the neighbouring Malayan Federation, but there have been none to date in Singapore.—Associated Press.

AUSTRALIAN ARMS

Sydney, July 18.—The Australian Customs Department has authorised the export of small consignments of revolvers and ammunition for the personal protection of people against terrorists in Malaya, it was announced here today.

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Soviets Restore Titles

Moscow, July 18.—Personal titles and ranks have been reintroduced for leading and responsible workers of financial and banking institutions in the Soviet Union.

Decrees in the official Soviet Journal said these officials would wear special "forms of clothing" and insignia of rank.

Top rank provided in the decrees is "General State Counsellor of Financial Service."

The next named is "State Counsellor of Financial Service." Then comes "State Counsellor of Financial Service first rank" followed by same of second and third rank.—Associated Press.

TO SALVAGE CATALINA TODAY

It is hoped today to salvage the CPA Catalina plane which crashed into the sea off Macao last Friday evening with 29 people, including three crew members aboard.

Mr. Sydney H. de Kantzow, Manager of CPA, who flew over to Macao yesterday to direct operations, remained there overnight and will direct salvaging operations today.

The position of the aircraft has been located, and a further six bodies, as yet unidentified, were recovered yesterday.

Mr. A. J. R. Moss, Director of Civil Aviation, flew over to Macao this morning to assist in today's operations.

It is now stated that Mrs. N. Humphreys who was killed in the Catalina disaster is the wife of Revenue Officer W. G. Humphreys, of the I. and E. Department, but that she was never employed in the S. T. and I. Department.

ELECTION UPSET

Sydney, July 18.—The New South Wales Labour Government received a setback in a Sydney by-election yesterday, losing what was regarded as a key seat, held by the Labour party since 1940. The defeat of the Labour candidate by a Liberal may affect the Government's prospects in the 1949 national election.—Associated Press.

TO CEASE FIRE

Obedience To Security Council Order

ARABS' THREE CONDITIONS

Lake Success, July 18.—The Arabs and Jews have agreed to an indefinite truce in Palestine, resulting in the biggest victory the United Nations has yet achieved.

Arab acceptance of the Security Council's order to both sides to lay down arms—perhaps for good—by 3 p.m. GMT today was announced by Premier Mahmoud Fahmy el Nokrashy of Egypt.

"In response to your cable of July 17, which was communicated to me the same day, the Egyptian Government issued an order of cease fire in Palestine, starting Sunday 18th July at 3 p.m. GMT," Nokrashy Pasha cabled the Rhodes Headquarters of Count Folke Bernadotte, the United Nations mediator for Palestine.

Egypt had been the debar of the Arab League, holding out for war against the Jews. Its decision to bow before the authority of the United Nations rather than risk stern punishment as an "aggressor" made Palestine's ceasefire possible.

On Friday, the Jews had accepted the Security Council's ultimatum to end fighting through Palestine within 72 hours and to halt Jerusalem warfare within 24 hours. The Arabs already had accepted the Jerusalem ceasefire order.

Fighting within the Holy City ended before the Council's deadline of 1.30 a.m. GMT Friday—24 hours after the United Nations had passed the hard-hitting American resolution calling for peace in Palestine.

MINOR INCIDENTS LIKELY

United Nations officials said they expected "minor incidents" before the truce became fully effective throughout Palestine, because of the confusion surrounding Arab acceptance, particularly the failure of the Arab League to give prompt and formal assent on behalf of all Arab states to halt Holy Land fighting.

United Nations officials said a truce would be arranged when Count Bernadotte, who is now en route to Rhodes by plane after spending five days here, arrived at headquarters and started the task of bringing about a final Holy Land solution.

In his last appearance before the Security Council, on Thursday, Count Bernadotte warned that the three-day deadline of the ultimatum would not give him time to get a sufficient number of truce observers into Palestine to check on violations.

The scarcity of observers in Jerusalem has resulted in charges and countercharges from the Jews and King Abdullah of Transjordan, whose Arab Legion occupies the old walled city.

King Abdullah charged that Jewish troops made a "heavy attack" on Legion positions this morning. The Transjordan leader said the battle still rages and that the Jewish forces had suffered heavy casualties.

The Jews countered in a complaint from their Foreign Minister, Mr. Moshe Shertok, accusing the

Arabs of shelling and firing on Jewish positions from the city wall last night.

Dr. Shertok said the situation in Jerusalem was "confusing"—United Press.

MAJOR CONDITIONS

Alex. July 18.—The Arab League today formally accepted the United Nations' ultimatum for a ceasefire in Palestine, but listed three major conditions for full acceptance of the truce. The conditions were: 1. Complete cessation of Jewish immigration pending attempts of the United Nations to reach a solution of the problem. 2. That the 300,000 Palestine Arabs who are now refugees be allowed to return to their homes. 3. That the period of the truce must be fixed and not left undetermined.

In a seven-page cable to the UN Secretary General, Mr. Trygve Lie, Azzam Pasha, Secretary General of the Arab League Political Committee, expressed astonishment on behalf of the Arab government at the Security Council's attitude but accepted the ceasefire.

Abdel Monem Mustapha Bey, chief of the League's Political Section, told the United Press, "We accept the ceasefire but the truce is still not accepted until the United Nations answer our conditions." The Arabs said that continued Jewish immigration is unfair while Arabs are being forced to flee the land.

Anticipating resentment in the Arab world, the League called upon the people to remain united and assured them that the present phase is merely a lapse which however "would end in final victory."

LEAGUE'S COMMUNIQUE

The League's communique said the Arab armies would remain at stations in Palestine in readiness to resume activities and emphasised that their aim was to safeguard Arab interests in Palestine.

The United Press learned that the ceasefire decision was reached after long and heated talks in which the proposal was opposed particularly by Iraq. The Arabs had little choice in the matter, but in the lengthy cable to Trygve Lie as well as in the communique, they pointed out that the Security Council "imposed" the ceasefire.

The Arabs also protested against what they considered to be high-

handed and unjust treatment meted out by the Council. They added, "The creation of a Jewish state by force will not serve peace or democracy."

The League was emphatic in pointing out to the masses that they are still fighting for the defence of Palestine and are willing to make further sacrifices in both political and military fields if no fair settlement is reached.—United Press.

Allies May Smash The Berlin Blockade By Force

Frankfurt, July 18.—If the British and French agree, the Western Allies will carry out an American-sponsored plan to smash through the Soviet blockade of Berlin by force, high Allied sources disclosed today.

A plan to send an armoured train or armed truck convoy with food supplies into the besieged city already has tentative British support, these sources said. Final approval now hinges on agreement by the French, who have accepted reluctantly most of the recent three-power decisions on Germany.

It is understood the plan will be discussed in Berlin tomorrow (Monday) by the three Military Governors of Western Germany. An informative report on the plan is expected to be made by the British Foreign Secretary, Mr. Ernest Bevin, to the meeting of Foreign Ministers of five Western Union nations at the Hague this week.

If the plan is accepted, these sources said, it will form the basis of a new three-power note which Washington officials indicated may be sent to Moscow next weekend.

MOSCOW TO BE TOLD

These officials stated that the Moscow Government would be informed that the Allies were firmly determined to fulfil their commitments to supply the three blockaded sectors of Berlin. The Soviet military authorities in Berlin, they said, would be given advance notice of the route and schedules of the armoured convoys.

They added that United Nations observers might be asked to accompany the convoys into Berlin. The Russians have closed all traffic routes into the Soviet Zone, except three air corridors, giving "technical difficulties" as the reason. Presumably, Allied convoys would carry technical crews to repair roads and bridges for all rail lines used.

The first hint that the Allies might take a new initiative in cracking the Soviet blockade came yesterday from high Allied sources in Berlin, who said a show of force was the only way to unmask the Russians' true intentions in Europe.

ACTION IMMINENT

Observers had pointed to the improbance given this statement in the U.S. Army-sponsored newspaper, Stars and Stripes, as an indication of the imminence of major Allied action.

A newspaper quoted American officials as saying, "The only way to determine Soviet intentions is to test Russia, and the only test is a show of force."

The show of force itself could be simple—an armed convoy sent to Berlin on the Autobahn or an armoured train dispatched over the Berlin to Helmsdorf Railway.

In their first attempt to force the Western Allies out of Berlin, the Russians closed all surface traffic routes to the city from the West.

Despite twelve hours of rain and low ceilings, the United States Air



The body of Screen Star Carole Landis lies sprawled on the bathroom floor of her home where it was found by Actor Rex Harrison and the actress' maid, Los Angeles Det. Capt. Emmett Jones said it was "definitely" a suicide. A note addressed to Miss Landis' mother was found.—AP Picture.

Carole Landis Found Dead

Mail Express In Collision

Glasgow, Scotland, July 18.—The night mail express from Aberdeen to London collided with a local train near Ardler Junction late on Saturday, killing the engineer and injuring eight persons.

The two engines were wrecked and four coaches splintered.

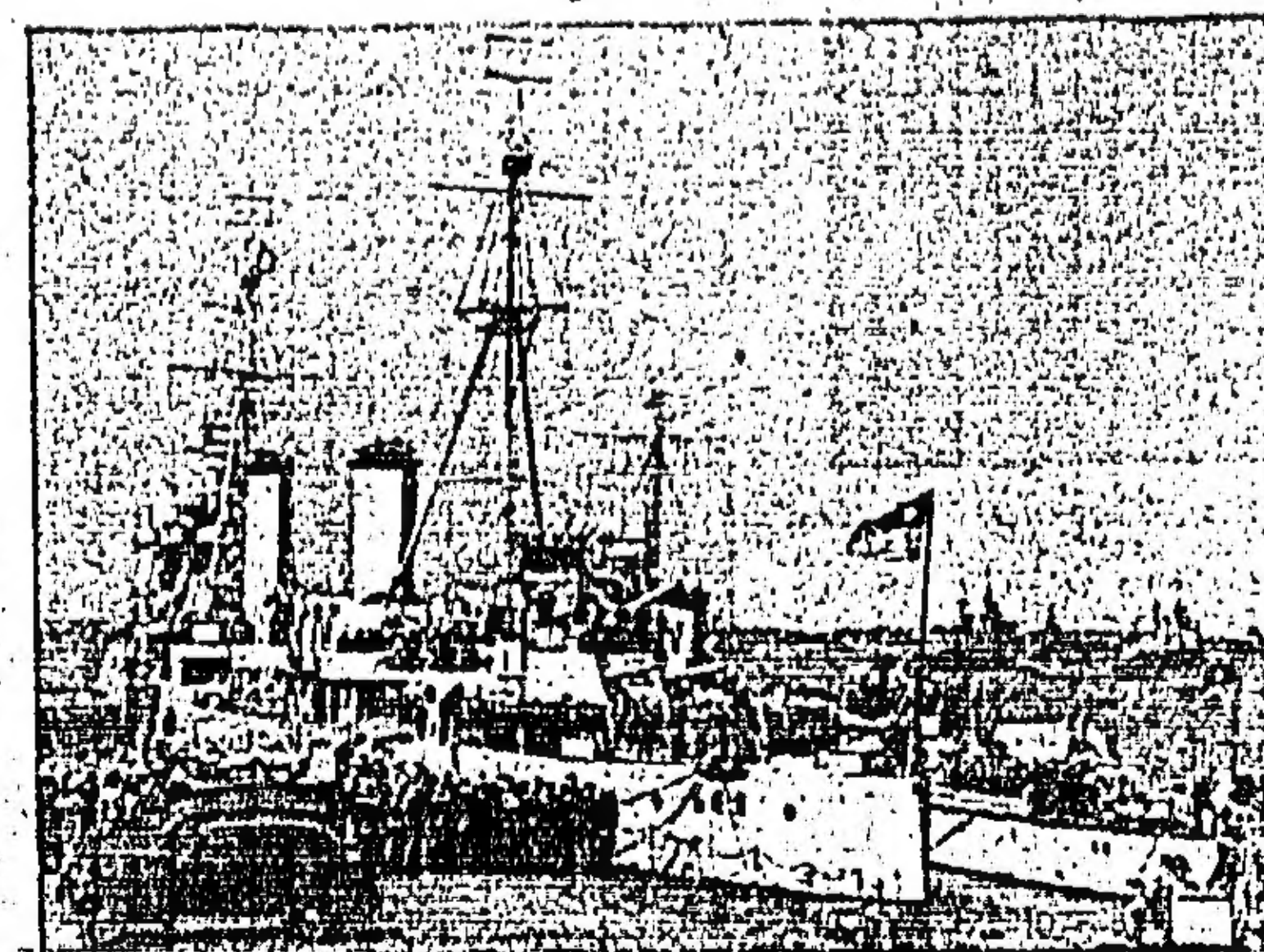
It was the second crash of the day on the Scotland-London line. A passenger express from Edinburgh was derailed just outside London early on Saturday, killing the fireman.—Associated Press.

EDITORIAL

A Resolute Nation

THE actual bringing into physical effect of the European Recovery Programme has increased the confidence of the British people in their ability to achieve full economic recovery. There are signs in plenty that aid does not blind the workers to the vital fact that their own efforts must be intensified, not slackened. If Britain is to receive the fullest possible benefits from ERP, recovery without Marshall aid would have been extremely painful to Britain, yet it is a fact that until the final agreement was signed, all official estimates and plans were based on Britain trying to work out her own salvation. And although the whole picture has changed, emphasis is still being put on the urgent need for still greater production, a higher export level and no early relief from the imports restrictions. Before the Marshall Aid agreement was signed, Britain was in a grave plight. During the six months ending June 30 the net drain on British gold and dollar reserves (without making allowance for a first instalment of ERP relief of £22,000,000) was £285,000,000, of which £107,000,000 accrued in the final three months. This left the actual balance of reserves at the dangerously low total of only £473,000,000 compared with a bare safety minimum computed at £500,000,000. What is now hoped is that due to the time lag in the receipt of aid reimbursements the balance will soon be restored to that minimum level. Nevertheless, this factor alone shows that day to day, or even month to month calculations will be misleading, and that like so many other matters the position must be reviewed over a longer term period to avoid

being misled by short term fluctuations. A second influence seriously affecting the British balance of payments is the worsening of Britain's point of view of the terms of trade. The ratio of import to export prices has been growing more unfavourable for many months and each increase means extra effort merely to stand still, so to speak. The size of this problem is shown by the fact that the present rate of the British deficit on the trade in goods is around £300,000,000 a year compared with an actual trade deficit of £449,000,000 in 1947 and £302,000,000 in 1938 when "invisible exports" brought in very much more than today. Thus although British exports of goods are 30 percent greater in quantity and income 20 percent less than in 1938 there is almost the same deficit in visible trade. Such figures make it obvious that Britain is going to have a tough job in balancing her overseas accounts in the future, even with Marshall aid. But whatever happens there is no hesitation in the minds of the British people that this generous gesture will be the deciding factor in assisting the eventual economic recovery of their country and also of their European neighbours. It will be some time before they can look forward to any easing of their current restricted living standards; before there is any improvement there might even have to be some further reductions. But in the meantime every effort will be made to increase production and exports, for as Sir Stafford Cripps has observed "We are in this co-operative work with Western Europe in order to make it a success, not on paper, but in actual economic results."



British cruiser and destroyer handed over to the Chinese Navy.—His Excellency, the Chinese Ambassador and the Commander-in-Chief Portsmouth took part in the ceremony at Portsmouth, of the handing over to the Chinese Navy of the cruiser Aurora and the destroyer HMS Mendip; they were renamed CS Chungking and CS Lingue respectively. A general view of the ceremony at Portsmouth, showing the two vessels beflagged, as the Chinese Ambassador addressed the crews from the quarter deck of HMS Aurora (CS Chungking). The guard of honour can be seen on the quayside.



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WOMANSENSE

Philip tries black suede

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PRINCE PHILIP (who looks like taking up where the Duke of Windsor left off as leader of young men's fashions) has some pretty sensational ideas on clothes. His latest: evening shoes in black suede instead of traditional patent, made in "Norwegian" slipper style, with white stitching.



He will make a special collection for it, machine copy his own models to retail from £40 to £120. It is a gamble because he will be competing with his own best customers—the American copyists who sell at this price range. But he has faith in the boy who told him a year ago "You'll have world-wide success for a short time."

FASHION Model Barbara Goalen believes her 100-guinea rhinoplasty operation to transform an ordinary nose into a beautiful one was well worth while. She has just made the front cover of Vogue—practically the Oscar of fashion modelling.

China Most Likely Had It First, Except...

By ROBERT A. BURTON

CHENG TU—The Chinese are fond of telling you that they did it or had it first, and they are usually right.

The list of "China firsts" is an impressive one but new things pop up on it all the time.

One important "China first" that isn't published much is the sidewalk cafe generally associated with Paris. There are hundreds of them in Chengtu, Szechwan Province's capital.

Centuries before Parisians found it pleasant to sip an aperitif at a sidewalk table the people in Chengtu drank tea instead of Dubonnet. Same idea, though.

In either Paris or Chengtu you drop into your favourite sidewalk cafe to be witty among friends or enemies, to pick up the latest gossip, to collapse for a while from the day's work or, even, just to get something to drink. The point is, however, that Chengtu had it first.

Oranges, Too

All the standard reference books explain that China had such things as gunpowder and printing first but they don't usually mention Sunkist oranges. It is supposed to have come originally from Chungking, Szechwan Province, in China's west.

Of course, the Americans exported their famed ingenuity by developing a seedless variety of the Sunkist. But they didn't improve the flavour any. Chungking oranges will still stand up against oranges produced anywhere.

Then there is Italian ravioli. It isn't really Italian, your Chinese friends will tell you. Marco Polo picked up the idea during his stay in North China and took it back to Italy.

Stars' Party



At the Theatrical Garden Party, Hockhampton, were seen these fashions worn by Sheila Elm in lavender print and floppy lace hat, and Kay Young who wore a green and white striped dress and black picture hat.

RED RYDER



A Lull in the Battle



By Fred Harman



Know How to Really Relax



Regular exercise helps you to sleep all night, says Screen Star Gail Patrick who enjoys horseback riding.

By HELEN FOLLETT

CAN you relax, be as limp as a rag? Can you do a flop and fall asleep in five minutes? The answer to both questions is probably "No."

Relaxation seems to be a lost art. Grandma will tell you that she planned to go to a party in the evening. Life was different then. Women had leisure. Even women of leisure like crazy, attending meetings, mixing up in things, wearing themselves out.

Too many women have tense faces. Too many have premature wrinkles. It is the state of the world, the delirium of activity in which most of us live. We have learned about the laws of health, we make heroic efforts to hang onto good looks, but nervous systems are not at ease. And they take a toll. Don't drive yourself to the limit. Do not get over tired. Fatigue bugs will poison you. They will put brown lines between your eyes and shadows under them. They destroy

appetite, curdle dispositions that are naturally sweet.

Snatch moments of rest whenever you can, if only for half an hour. Lie down. Close your soul windows and the doors of your mind. It rages, thoughts persist, dwelling on tasks before you, visualise deep forests, quiet country roads, pleasant places you have visited.

The human machine can stand so much wear and tear and no more. Young women seem to fancy that they are made of wire and fiddle strings, that they can go partying every night in the week with no ill effects. They rob themselves of precious hours of sleep, never have a chance to make up for them.

Lovelies of the movies take excellent care of their health. They have to if they are to retain good looks. The camera must never catch them with weary shadows on their faces. Believe it or doubt it, but many of them go to bed at nine o'clock. And they make it a point to have exercise in the open air; nothing like it to keep nerves from jangling.

BOYS' AND GIRLS' MAGAZINE

Knarf Sailed Across the Pond

—He Took Glive the Snail Along, Too—

By MAX TRELL

KNARF, the shadow-boy, met his friend Glive the Snail standing at the edge of the pond. As soon as he saw Knarf, Glive said: "I'd like to get across to the other side of the pond. Would you care to walk with me and keep me company?"

"Why do you have to walk?" said Knarf. "It's a long way around the pond to the other side, and you walk very slowly. It would be much quicker, if you sailed across the pond."

Glive shook his head. "To sail across the pond, we'd need a boat. I don't see any boats, so even though it will take a long time to walk around the pond, I think it's the best thing to do."

"Oh no," said Knarf. "I'll find a boat. You just wait here for a minute." So Knarf ran to the oak tree a short distance off and found a large leaf and dragged it into the water. "Here's our boat!" he exclaimed to Glive. "Get on and we'll row across."

Again Glive the Snail shook his head. "We can't row across without oars. Otherwise the wind will blow us wherever it likes."

So Knarf ran off again and returned the next moment with two flat stems. "I've got the oars!" he cried. "We're all ready to leave."

For the third time, Glive shook his head. "It's no use going on a boat," he said, "without a bucket."

"Why do we need a bucket?" asked Knarf.

"You need a bucket on a boat," said Glive, "so that if any water gets inside the boat, we can pour it out again."

Again Knarf ran off and a moment or two later he returned with a hollow acorn. "Now we've got everything!" he said. "We've got a boat. We've got oars and we've got a bucket."

"There's something else very important that we forgot," said Glive. "What?" asked Knarf, wondering how Glive could think of all these things.



"I'm going to walk around the pond," Glive told Knarf.

"No one should ever go on a boat unless he can hold on to something that will keep him afloat if the boat should tip over. There's no use trying to cross the pond if you're going to fall into the water and drown before you get to the other side."

"What do we have to get to keep us afloat?" asked Knarf.

"A bit of cork would be just the thing," said Glive.

Bits of Cork

So Knarf went off to find a few bits of cork—and finally, they set out. And as they set out, Knarf thought how foolish it was of Glive to want so many things just to cross the pond.

But the wind sprang up and blew very hard and if it hadn't been for the oars, they would have been blown right back. And then the rain fell and the water would have filled the boat if they hadn't had the bucket to keep it empty. And just as they were reaching the other side, a duck came along and tipped them over with her bill and it was a good thing that they could cling to the bits of cork because otherwise they would never have floated in to the bank.

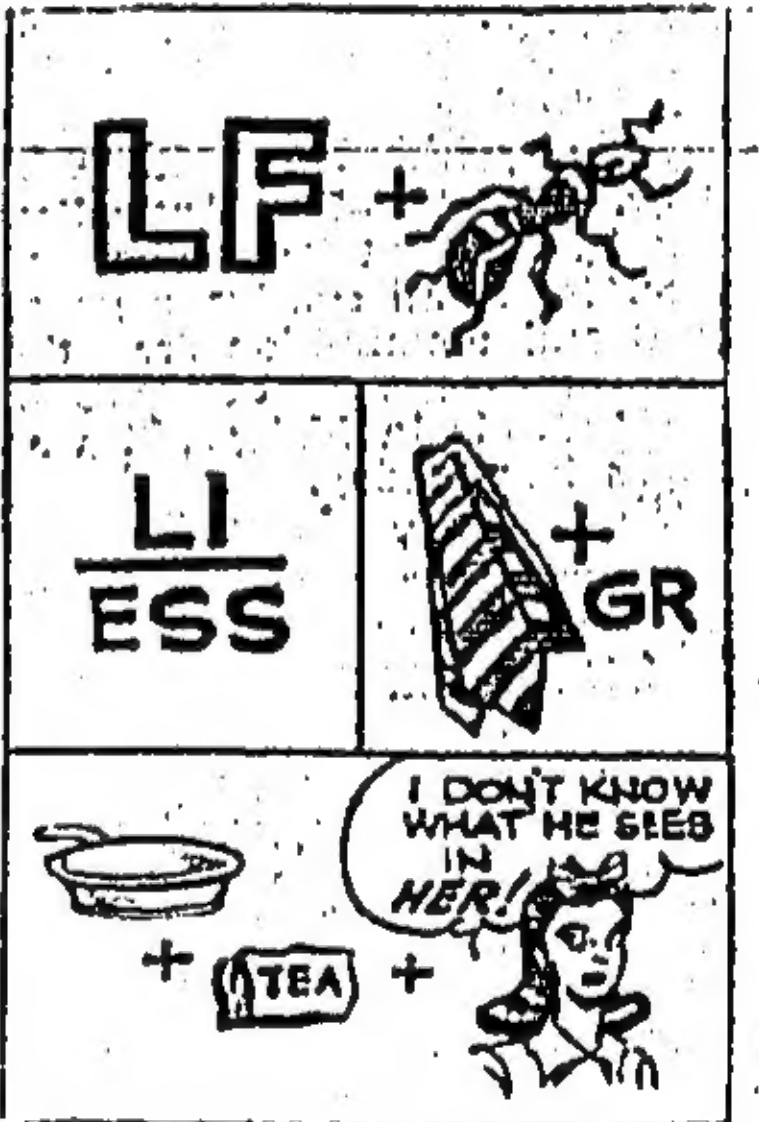
Glive the Snail said thank you to Knarf for rowing him across but he added: "I still think we should have walked because you don't need a boat, you don't need oars, you don't need a bucket, and you don't need a cork. All you need are legs to walk on and a pleasant friend to talk to."

PUZZLES

WE pass a zoo on today's trip down Puzzle Lane:

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Rupert's Island Adventure—41



Running back in great anxiety, Rupert gets near to the fence. The boat is very low in the water, but they seem quite happy, and are rowing and paddling against the slow-moving river and back towards the lake. "Hi, come back!" cries the little bear. "That boat's mine and it's very secret!" "Ferdie Fox grins. "Hello, Rupert," he yells. "why should we come back? It wasn't very friendly of you to keep this lovely toy all to yourself. We're going to have a jolly afternoon playing with it. Ta-ta!"

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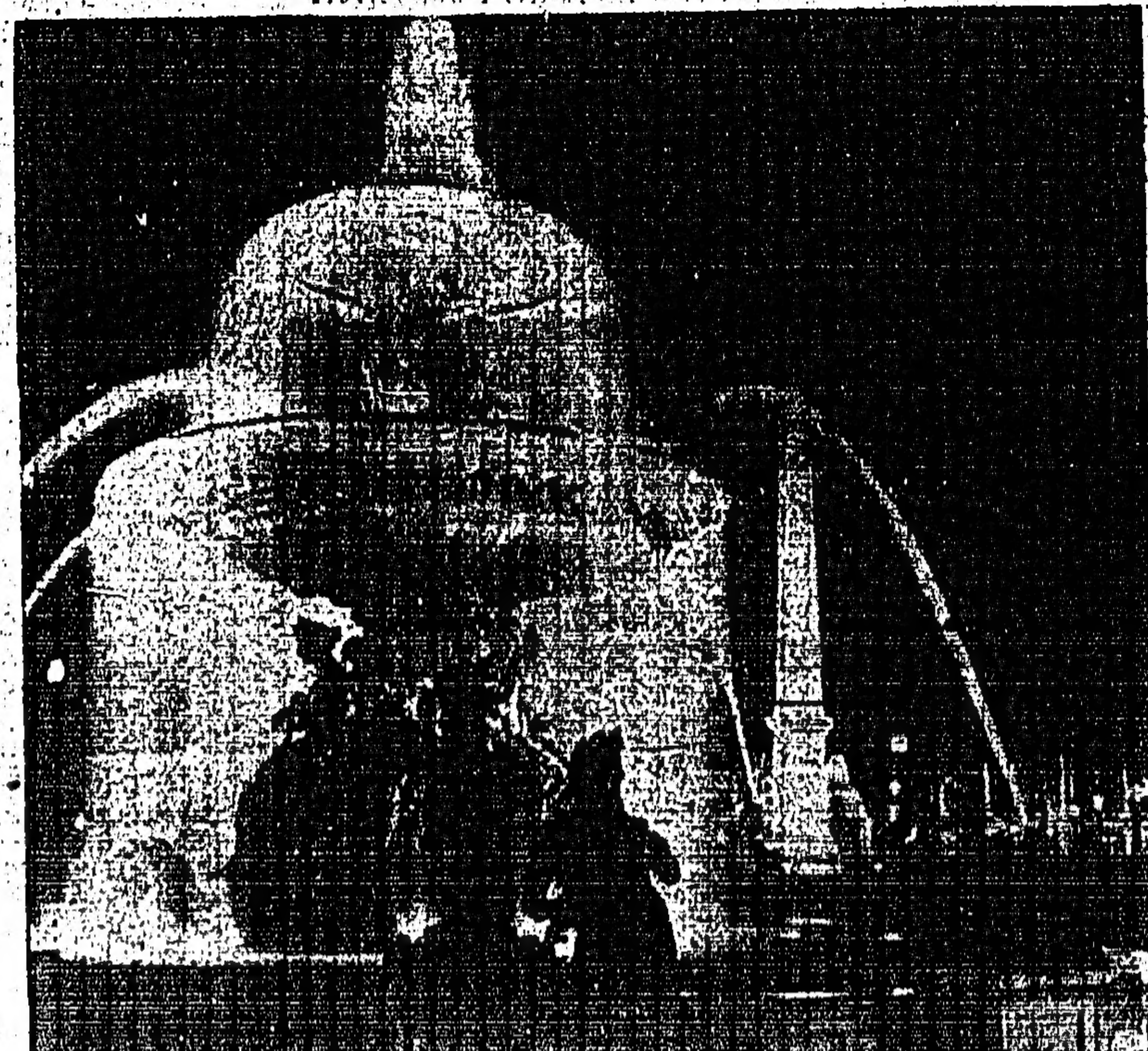
WORLD NEWS IN PICTURES



PLANE COLLISION—Firemen examine the wreckage of one of two U.S. Navy planes which collided in mid-air and crashed into a busy part of Detroit. One plane smashed into a house, setting it on fire, along with houses on either side. The other plane crashed into a machine shop a block away. The two fliers were killed and three other persons injured.



FARM GIRL—Terry Moore comes under the heading of "farm improvements." She is spending her vacation on a farm after a busy time in Hollywood.



CITY OF LIGHT—Living up once more to its reputation as "The City of Light" after years of black-outs, Paris glows in postwar brilliance for the "Grande Quinzaine" festival. Fountains, statues, monuments and buildings are all illuminated here.



RED SPITFIRE—Max Reimann, Communist leader in Western Germany, makes a fiery speech to a group in Frankfurt, calling for a fight against recent currency revisions. Sign behind him reads in part: "The Rich Should Pay; No Summary Dismissals; Wage Increases of 30 Percent."



AFTER THE WAR IS OVER—There's something about a soldier. Here British Tommies attract a group of youngsters. This British band is beating on drums—a retreat in Haifa, where they recently relinquished occupational duties in favour of a U.N. observation board.



A BOY AND HIS BUDDIES—Because of an accident in which he lost a leg a few years ago, Ronald Henson, 15, was unable to go to a boy scout camp this summer. When his pals in Boston found out, they rallied together and built him one right in his own backyard.



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NEW RED PRESIDENT—Klement Gottwald, centre, 51-year-old Communist, inspects guards outside Hradany Castle in Prague following his recent election and installation as President of Czechoslovakia. First Communist to hold the post, he succeeds Eduard Benes, who resigned the high-tension office.



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JOHN DEANE POTTER

... GOES BACK TO THE SCENE OF HIS WAR
SERVICE TO TELL THE NEW BURMA STORY

Since this article was written, Thakin Nu, U Tin Tut, Bo Let Ya and other Burmese ministers have resigned. Potter knows Burma well, and in a personal memo he says:—

"Perhaps I am not the best person to comment on Burma today as too many of my friends lie dead in rice fields or dark jungles of this country."

"I remember the men who fought at Kohima's bitter battle which led to the recapture of Burma. Life was no fairy story for them. I remember the little sign which commemorates the dead of that battle and its simple inspired verse, which says:—

"When you go home tell them of us and say:—
For your tomorrow we gave our today.
Tomorrow is now here and it is my melancholy duty to report that these brave men died in vain for an empty victory."

RANGOON, July 2.

BURMA today is a fairy story peopled by characters with a child's story book names, but it can only have an unhappy ending for this country.

Burma has always had an unreal quality, which is perhaps typified by U Saw, former Premier, who bought his clothes in Savile-row and drank a pint of monkey's blood every day because he thought it gave him strength.

They hanged him the other day for his part in the murder of seven Cabinet Ministers.

When I first arrived in Rangoon, three years almost to the day since I left, it was hard to recognise that Burma had changed.

Breeding ground

THERE were still the strolling peacocks, sprightly bamboo, flower-decked girls smoking long green cheroots and walking with wooden-faced men.

Even the bomb craters had not been filled and I am sure the streets had not been swept since the Japanese left. Yet this will probably be the first country in Asia to go completely Communist.

Political ideas grow fast in unswept streets, and today the

8 MONTHS BACK: Two Prime Ministers, Thakin Nu and Mr. Attlee, put the seal on free Burma.

average slant-eyed Burmese, with his pink skirt and blue and yellow umbrella, is fascinated by Russian Communism.

To see how it happened you must go back long before Burma was granted independence six months ago.

Remember the country was twice fought over and many of the villages with their stilted wooden houses have been scarred and scorched by war. While the British were poised precariously on the border building up armies to reconquer the country, strange, significant events were happening.

Thirty extreme nationalist students had gone to Tokyo, to be trained as officers by the Japanese. They came back to form the Burma Freedom Army of Burmese to fight the British.

Their leader was Major-General Aung San, a Rangoon University student before he was trained by the Japanese

to be a soldier. He decided to treat with the British.

An emissary was straggled to India and then at Tounghoo, 100 miles from Rangoon, Aung San and some of his officers made their way through the lines to the British troops. They were treated like ambassadors and flown to Kandy, where they met Mountbatten.

His Burma experts told him of Aung San's background, but with one of his lightning decisions Mountbatten decided to use him to the fullest extent. That decision in a white bungalow in Ceylon played a big part in changing the history of Asia.

Murder

STRONG man Aung San was made chief of the Burmese State. But Burma, cruel, beautiful land of sudden death, could not continue peacefully under his rule.

The murder rate in Rangoon had always been the highest in the world, and one Friday morning last year the world realised it. Men with machine guns rushed into the Secretariat in Rangoon and shot down Aung San and six of his Ministers.

It was said this massacre was the result of a personal feud by ousted politicians. It was for this they hanged U Saw. Some said the Communists had a hand in it. Whatever the cause, the Burmese Government ever since the assassinations has been a Cabinet in a barbed wire concentration camp.

Who are the men who rule Burma from these cages? First, U Tin Tut, 53-year-old Foreign Minister, an old Dulwich boy and former Cambridge Rugby player. He is the last stabilising figure in an Administration which is veering more and more quickly towards Communism.

Most of his fellow Cabinet Ministers are ex-students,

OCCUPATION OF GERMANY: THE BEGINNING OF THE END?

MONDAY

June 28, 1948

FRANKFORT'S shop windows are crammed with pots and pans, radio-sets and women's luxury handbags.

The Germans have never seen anything like this since the great days of 1940, when the Wehrmacht looted Europe.

For the past three years they could buy these things only for fantastic black market prices. But now nobody can buy them, because there is no money. Most Frankforters have little more than the 40 new Deutsche marks they got over a week ago in the first currency conversion.

I pay a visit to the British NAAFI St George's Club, where friends ask the same old question: "Have you any dollars to spare, old boy?"

The British dollar hunt in Frankfort never stops. With the hard-to-get blue dollar scrip you can buy almost anything—even a shiny new American car if you can raise 2,000 dollars.

The club is the headquarters of Frankfort's austerity-loving British colony, surrounded by Manhattan-like dollar plenty.

G.I. wives shopping in the Commissary (the American family food store) make the British housewives crazy with envy.

The British women, conspicuous in the midst of thousands of American "new looks," go from counter to counter. They spend the 20 dollars a month permitted to their husbands as British officials here.

Mrs. Frankforter Britton gets few extras to supplement her British Army rations. But with her few dollars she can buy what no other British wife in Germany can get—fresh milk, brought every day in a special train all the way from Denmark.

from the centre of the U.S. zone in Germany . . . by
CHARLES WIGHTON

TUESDAY

THOUSANDS of Germans stop and stare at a huge black 50-h.p. armour-plated Mercedes tearing through Frankfort. General Pierre Koenig, French Military Governor, with an American military police jeep escort, has arrived from his Baden-Baden headquarters to meet his British and American colleagues, Generals Robertson and Clay.

The Germans remember these great black Mercedes with the three-point star on the radiator. Hitler sat hidden in one when he last raced through Frankfort from his Ardennes offensive headquarters at Bad Neuenahr, a few miles away.

But General Koenig is a Mercedes connoisseur. He "collects" the super-Mercedes of the former Nazi big game. Now he has at least three, including one which formerly belonged to the Nuremberg war criminal and ex-London ambassador, Baron von Neurath.

WEDNESDAY

THE three military governors are meeting in Europe's biggest business block, the former offices of Hitler's German Dye Trust. Surrounded by Frankfort's ruins, the huge headquarters of the I.G. Farben International cartel—almost as big as London's Dolphin-square—was never bombed.

The military governors are planning tomorrow's big conference with the Germans.

For the first time since the end of the war, representatives of the three Western Allies will meet West Germany's 11 Premiers to plan Europe's newest State, the Western Reich.

THURSDAY

A BIG day for the Germans. Shortly before 11.30, with crowds of British, Americans, French, and Germans, I jostled into the I.G. Farben's luxurious conference room.

But the 11 rather shabby middle-aged Germans facing the three military governors seem to have little sense of history. The German Prime Minister nod and seem half asleep as General Clay's sharp American voice raps out plans for a new German parliament.

General Sir Brian Robertson's soft British voice lulls them further. Only when General Koenig, in clipped French, rattles out the stringent terms of the proposed Occupation Statute, do the Germans wake up to scowl across the green baize table at the Frenchman.

As the German Premiers and their advisers stride down the corridors angrily, some of them discuss what they call the last "Frankfurter Diktat."

But the more sober Germans, on their way to an excellent three-course lunch provided by the kindly Americans, tell me: "At least it is the beginning of the end of the occupation. It is a basis for negotiations."

Most of the 11 Premiers, almost equally divided between "Tories" and "Socialists," wonder how they can persuade their provincial Parliaments to accept the terms.

FRIDAY

I HAVE scarcely slept all night. Every few minutes Frankfort has been awakened by the roar of four powerful aircraft engines as yet another of General Clay's Sky-masters heads east for Berlin.

Planes of "Task Force Berlin," summoned from Alaska, Hawaii, the Caribbean, and Eastern United States, are coming into Frankfort's vast Rhein-Main Airport almost hourly. Nearby Wiesbaden's military airfield is also crammed with air transports to feed beleaguered Berlin.

Within an hour of completing the Transatlantic flight, the C-54 Sky-masters take off again with seven tons of food.

General Clay, one of America's greatest military supply experts, is sure he can beat the blockade. "So far as Berlin's food is concerned," he said to me, "we will supply it all by air, and we will make an effort to supply the coal in Sky-masters, too."

SATURDAY

DRIVING north of Frankfort, through the Taunus valleys, my driver has to stop the car when I suffer severe stomach pains. Heinz is so alarmed that he wants to drive to a German hospital.

Finally, he takes me to a German doctor in Marburg, who temporarily eases the pain. I reach Herford after a most uncomfortable journey.

SUNDAY

IN bed with food poisoning. My driver likewise. So apparently some of that American canned food in Frankfort cannot be so good after all.

clerks, country school school-masters who read Karl Marx in the shade of a banyan tree during the Japanese occupation.

Because he is believed to be pro-British—he spent the war with the British Government in Simla instead of Tokyo—he may not last long.

Bo Ko Kun

A WILLY, wistful little man, with a child's story book name of Bo Ko Kun, is the 43-year-old Minister of Education—also head of the People's Volunteer Organisation.

This is the remnant of Aung San's Freedom Army, and it is a most dangerous and unpredictable force in Burma politics. They are a largely peasant army 200,000 strong, owing allegiance to no one; they have a large cache of arms, and goosetrip through the villages.

Vague, wispy Bo Ko Kun, their leader, may one day play Red Riding Hood to the two wolves lurking in the jungle.

One of them is the most significant man in Burma—stocky, moon-faced, 35-year-old Thakin Than Tun. He is in the classic Communist mould of Dimitroff and Anna Pauker, and he will probably be the first communist dictator of Burma.

He is one of the 30 "heroes" who went to Tokyo and came back as Chief of Staff of the Freedom Army. He is also the brother-in-law of the murdered Premier, Aung San. He was one of the men whom Mountbatten feted.

His own people knew him, however, as a fanatical Communist, and when he organised a paralyzing strike in Rangoon he fell out with the Government and fled into the jungle with a price of 5,000 rupees on his head.

Now he lives like a Burmese Robin Hood with a hundred of his followers deep in the jungle. Every day parties of them go out to distribute pamphlets or loot villages unfriendly to the Communists.

The second wolf is his lieutenant, a Burma-born Indian called Ghoshal, Moscow-trained, who is a "will-o'-the-wisp." Everyone fears him, and there are many wistful bazaar stories that he is dead.

There is no doubt that he is Than Tun's link with the Kremlin. These two men are in touch with Chinese Communists over the border, and they are making strong overtures to the politically rudderless 200,000 men of the People's Volunteer Organisation.

Than Tun is waiting until Prime Minister Thakin Nu's Cabinet, mostly composed of extreme Leftists and dangling like a ripe plum, falls into his lap.

'Only playing'

EVEN the highest men here are political babes in the wood playing out their fairy tale with no idea what Communism will mean to this rich country of rice and rubies. Who can it come they will say they did not mean it and they were only playing.

Sitting glumly in the stalls, watching the fantasy being played to its tragic conclusion, are the most bewildered community in Asia, the British business men. In Burma, Britain has £100,000,000 invested in Burma and has lost another £100,000,000 to rebuild the war-scarred country.

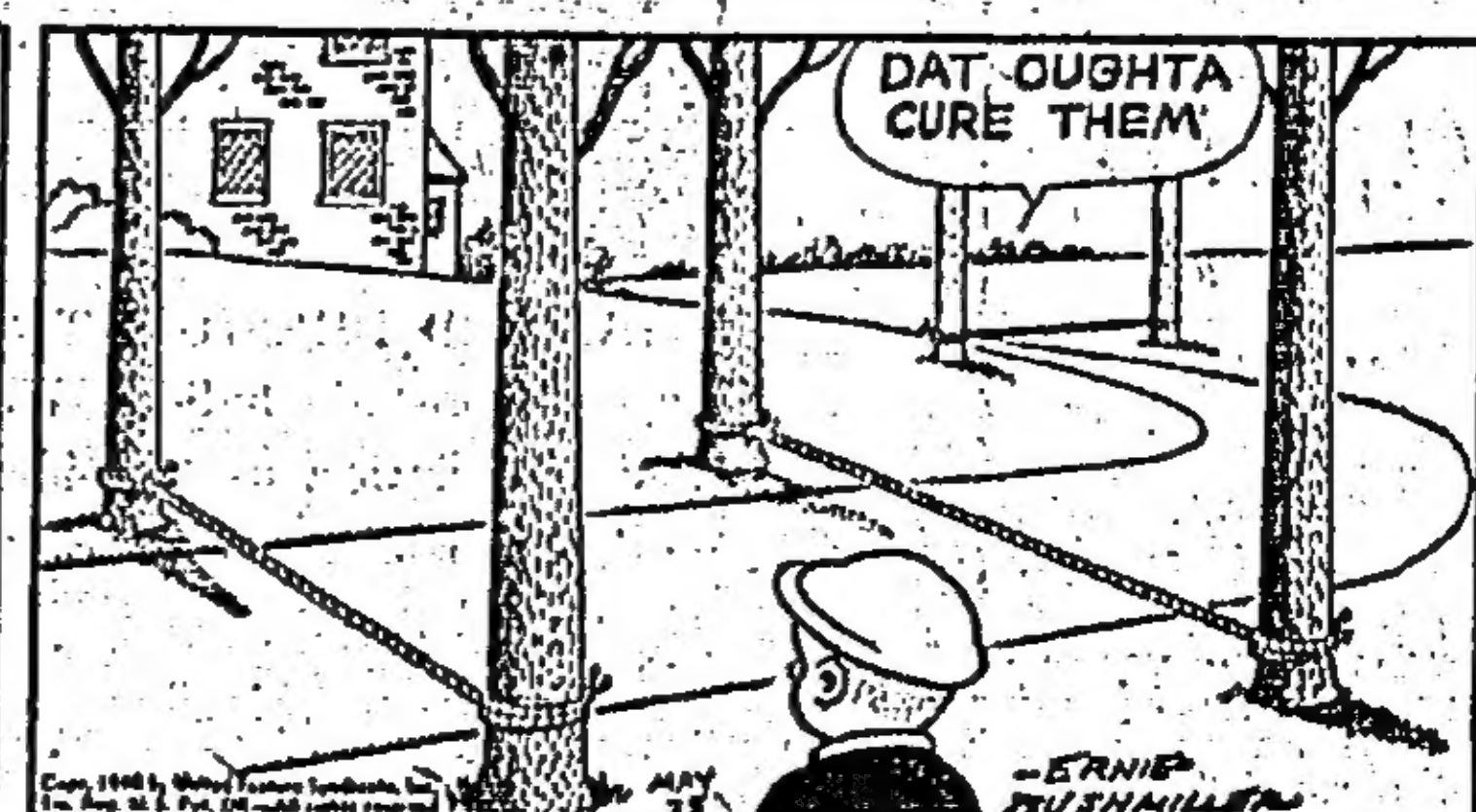
Before the Japanese invasion six British firms controlled most of Burma's trade. Now the Burma cubits of these businesses sit behind bamboo screens in dusty, half-wrecked offices, doodling on blotters.

A tragedy

THERE is an agreement which I say that Britons will be paid full compensation and the Burmese protest constantly in official statements that this will be done. But nothing has been achieved except airy promises.

The only firm which is going ahead with a plan is the £48,000,000 Burmah Oil Company, the biggest firm in the country, which expects after repatriating ruined plant to be at full working capacity by 1951. The story is a tragedy for the shahis, and for me it is the saddest tale I have had to write.

NANCY Down-to-Earth Project



By Ernie Bushmiller

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Young Indian Sent To Prison For 3 Years

ADMITS FORGERY CHARGES

Sheik Charn Abbas, 23-year-old unemployed, was sentenced to a total of three years' hard labour by Mr Justice Reynolds (Acting Puisne Judge) at the opening of the June Criminal Sessions this morning, when he pleaded guilty to six charges of forgery, uttering forged documents and obtaining property by virtue of forged documents.

The charges were as follows: (1) Forging a letter purporting to be signed by Thitharappapillai Piramanyagam, manager of the China Company, 128 Des Voeux Road Central, on May 29, requesting that a cheque book be supplied to the China Company.

(2) Uttering a forged letter purporting to be signed by Thitharappapillai Piramanyagam, knowing it to be forged and with intent to defraud.

(3) Obtaining a book of 100 cheques by virtue of a forged letter purporting to be signed by Thitharappapillai Piramanyagam from the Nederlandsche Handel-Maatschappij (Netherlands Trading Society).

(4) Forging a cheque for payment of \$3,875 on May 31.

(5) Uttering a forged cheque purporting to be drawn on the Netherlands Trading Society by Thitharappapillai Piramanyagam.

(6) Obtaining the sum of \$3,875 by virtue of a forged cheque purporting to be drawn by Thitharappapillai Piramanyagam on the Netherlands Trading Society.

The prosecution was conducted by Mr W. A. Blair-Kerr (Assistant Crown Solicitor), making his first appearance as a prosecutor, assisted by Det. Sub-Inspector R. H. Woodhead.

GOOD TESTIMONIAL
Mr Blair-Kerr said that Abbas had been employed, up to April last, by the China Company, a firm of importers and exporters and general commission agents. He was discharged by Thitharappapillai Piramanyagam, the manager, owing to staff changes and not for any reason detrimental to the accused. In fact, Piramanyagam gave Abbas a very good testimonial when he left.

During the time he was working in the China Company, Abbas had access to the firm's papers, and towards the end of May he had a chop made marked "per pro China Company" for which he paid \$2.50. He went home and typed letters to various banks in town such as the Mercantile Bank and the Netherlands Trading Society. He was aware that his former master had personal accounts in those banks, besides those of the China Company. It appeared from a search made of Abbas' home subsequently that he had practised Piramanyagam's signature and had typed his letters on a typewriter of the Eurasia Trading Company where he was acquainted with certain members of the staff.

Two of the letters Abbas wrote were actually issued. Mr Blair-Kerr went on. They were requests for cheque-books and were sent to the Mercantile Bank and the Netherlands Trading Society. The Netherlands Trading Society accepted the letter it received, but not the Mercantile Bank. The suspicions of the Mercantile Bank were aroused and they made investigations, as a result of which the Police were called in.

CHEQUES CASHED
In the meantime, the Netherlands Trading Society had issued a book of 100 cheques to Abbas on the strength of the letter purporting to be signed by Piramanyagam. By June 1, the accused had cashed three cheques, one for \$3,875, and two others for sums of \$250 and \$1,880. They were all paid out to fictitious people whose names appeared on the cheques. The signature appeared genuine to the Netherlands Trading Society's officials and the money was paid to the accused personally over the counter in each case.

The Police investigations led to the Netherlands Trading Society, and on June 3 the accused's house at No. 18 Fleming Road was searched under a warrant and a cheque book was seized. Various attempts at writing letters were also found, and another cheque was also discovered in the process of being written out.

DEATH OF MR NEWBIGGING

Health Broken In Internment

Mr David Locke Newbigging, OBE, MC., well-known pre-war Hongkong resident, died at Farnham, Surrey last Friday, according to news just received.

Born in 1889 in Dumfries, Scotland, the late Mr Newbigging saw service in the Army during the 1914-18 war, and was awarded the Military Cross. He joined Jardine, Matheson and Co., Ltd., in December 1919 and was attached to many of the firm's offices in China and in Hongkong. He was made a partner of the firm in 1938.

He was a member of the Hongkong Volunteer Defence Corps, from which he resigned in 1941 to take up duties with the Food Control.

He was interned in Stanley Camp throughout the occupation, where he took over the control and distribution of the Camp's stores, and had many battles with the Japanese in his endeavours to get them to send in more food to the Camp. He was awarded the CBE in recognition of his services to the internees.

He left on rehabilitation leave in October 1945, but unfortunately did not make any progress towards recovering his health, and had been practically an invalid since.

His many friends in the Colony will learn of his passing with great regret. He leaves a wife and two children.

Extortionist Trapped

Said to be born in America, a youth, Tso Tak-sing, 19, was sent to prison for six years by Mr Justice Reynolds at the Criminal Sessions this morning for demanding money with menaces from Dr Tsung Ying-kei of Kowloon.

Mr W. A. Blair-Kerr (Assistant Crown Solicitor) said Dr Tsung received a letter at his clinic at 495 Nathan Road, on June 12, purporting to be from the Chinese Overseas Youth Association which asked for \$500. The letter promised the help of the Association when required, but threatened the doctor and his business if he ignored the demand or reported it to the Police. The doctor properly reported the matter to the Police, a trap was set and the accused was arrested when he went to collect the money.

Police Catch Smugglers

Two smugglers who attempted to bring opium into Hongkong by train, were arrested at the KCR terminus during the week-end as a result of a routine search.

The two men were brought before Mr Latimer at Kowloon Court today charged with the possession of the drug and were each given six months without the option.

Eighty-two tins, or approximately seven lbs of raw opium, was found in an old shoe-box which Chaw Tak-lee, 28, a travelling trader of 62, High Street, West, was carrying.

A smaller quantity, just below three lbs, was found hidden in a false bottom of a leather bag which Lee Leung, 22, unemployed, of 308, Portland Street, second floor, was holding when he was searched.

Heading Back To Home Country

Dublin, July 18.—Sotsuysu Beppu, Japanese war-time minister to Elko, sailed aboard the liner Britannic today for New York. He said he would go to Japan.

AIRCRAFT SPOTTERS AT TEMPLEHOF



TAIYUAN SITUATION "VERY CRITICAL"

Peiping, July 19.—Official sources today admitted that the military situation in Taiyuan is "very critical" as the Communists captured an airfield outside the city and continued to mass in strength within three miles of the capital city of Shansi province.

Chinese Air Forces told the United Press that the Reds captured Taiyuan's south airfield yesterday morning and then moved up close to another field newly constructed, making its use impossible.

9 YEARS & 10 STROKES

For Robbery And Arms Possession

The heaviest sentence meted out at this morning's opening of the July Sessions at the Supreme Court was that on Wong Sui-kau, who was given nine years and ten strokes by the acting Puisne Judge, Mr Justice Reynolds, for robbery and possession of arms.

A third charged of robbing Jose Maria da Conceicao on April 4 of money, a watch, binoculars and a shotgun with 20 rounds, was withdrawn when the accused pleaded not guilty but admitted the other two charges.

Mr W. A. Blair-Kerr (Assistant Crown Solicitor) said that when the Police raided a maid's room on May 24 four men ran out in the direction of Un Long Creek. They caught up with one of them, the accused, who fell in the mud, and on the following day a 7.9 rifle, loaded with three rounds, was found at the place where he fell. An imitation firearm was found in the maid's room. The accused was identified on the spot by a man named Tang Heung as one of the two robbers who robbed him of clothing, a bicycle and money on May 5.

Marine Court Cases

For loitering with her boat within 100 yards of the RN Dockyard on Saturday afternoon, the mistress of a Class IV boat was fined \$10 or two days by Mr Cairns at the Marine Court this morning.

Sub-Inspector Nippard stated that one sump was allowed by the Naval Yard authorities to be attached to the Naval vessels for duty, but such sump was a special flag and also had a pass. Defendant had neither, and in any case the usual sump was already alongside HMS Cockscall.

Defendant pleaded that she was in the area for a very short time. Warning defendant that she was liable to a fine of \$500, Mr Cairns said he would impose a nominal fine of \$10 on this occasion.

OTHER CASES

The mistress of a passenger boat was fined \$40 or one week for carrying nine excess passengers. She pleaded that hers was the only boat in the vicinity at the time, and the workmen off a ship were desirous of going ashore and rushed on board her boat. She was told that she should have returned to move until the extra persons got off.

The acting mistress of a Class IV boat was fined \$20 for failing to renew her licence.

The coxswain of the motor boat Chit On was fined \$75 or two weeks for being under way without a certified engineer on board. He said that the engine was ashore.

Commercial airlines here announced that all flights to Taiyuan were cancelled but Air Force quarters reported that the military field north of the city is still open.

The moving of 400 troops by air to the beleaguered city was reported. Entry into the city was reportedly confined to the north gate which is still in the hands of the Nationalists. Provincial Government sources here indicated that the evacuation of key officials has not yet begun although some students and civilians were brought out last week.

MAY CLOSE ALL EXITS

The only route out of Marshal Yen Shih-shan's tiny fortress is by air and if the Communists succeed in taking over the north field—they are currently moving in from southwest—all exits will be closed tight.

Chinese press reports quoted military authorities in Hankow as admitting that tele-communications with Hsiangyang in northwestern Szechwan, 100 miles from Hankow, were interrupted, indicating that the situation was "confused" therein. Hsiangyang has been under Communist siege during the past week and its loss would render the Reds in a position to follow the Han River to reach the Hankow area.

Governor Chu Chi-chun of Hopen told the press that the North China Command had sufficient troops to tackle the situation in the Peiping area.

Chinese press reports from Mukden said the Communists are resuming in Anshan, south Manchurian steel centre, despite earlier rumours that the city was completely retaken. Reports said that government troops are steadily forcing the Reds back into the city seeking the recapture of valuable steel plants.—United Press.

Life Banishees Return

Two men who returned from life banishment were sentenced to four years each by Mr Justice Reynolds at the Supreme Court this morning. According to Mr W. A. Blair-Kerr (Assistant Crown Solicitor) Leung Wing had four previous convictions, which included one for living on the immoral earnings of prostitution. He was deported for life in April 1947 and was re-arrested in Hongkong on June 25.

Leung Kiu, said Mr Blair-Kerr, had three previous convictions. He was arrested on May 31 and was found to have been banished for the first time in September and for the second time in December.

HEAVY SEAS KILL TWO PEOPLE

Sydney, July 18.—Two people were drowned and several injured by heavy seas which pounded the New South Wales coast near Sydney today.

A Quanta flying boat bound for London was held up and a number of ships outside Sydney have to, to ride out the turbulent weather.—Associated Press.

Communists' Success

San Francisco, July 18.—The Communist radio, heard in San Francisco by the Associated Press, broadcast today that the Communists had captured Sukow, 20 miles to the southeast of Taiyuan, and "several strong points" 20 miles north of Taiyuan.—Associated Press.

Berlin children have a new pastime these days as they gather on the fences around Tempelhof airport watching the fleets of American planes arrive with supplies for the city, now on short rations because of the land and water blockade established by the Russians. An American four-engined transport flies overhead.—AP Picture.

Gas Short, But Crosses Atlantic

DARING ESCAPEE

Halifax, July 18.—A mysterious B-17 bomber, whose nine-man crew promised the Canadian authorities they would return at once to the United States and flew instead out over the Atlantic last night, landed in the Azores early today, apparently on its way to Palestine.

The battered war surplus Flying Fortress took off from Halifax last night in bright moonlight, under strict orders to return to New York. However, the crew took and won a longshot gamble with a low gas supply.

The B-17 set down safely at Santa Maria airport in the Azores, the Air Sea Rescue Centre of the Royal Canadian Air Force here reported.

PROMISE BROKEN

The Canadian authorities, who impounded the converted Flying Fortress last Sunday, released the crew only after they had paid a US\$100 fine for illegal entry into Canada and had promised they would return to New York.

The plane was believed to have only enough gas to fly to New York, with little to spare. Although the crew members were supposed to be headed for the United States, the plane headed out to sea immediately after the takeoff and made the 1,600-mile flight to the Azores.

The authorities speculated that but cutting off one engine at times the plane could have made the trip fairly easily. They pointed out that flying conditions were excellent and the plane had favourable winds for an Atlantic crossing.—United Press.

Air Rates Up 150 Percent

Shanghai, July 19.—The Ministry of Communications today granted a 150 percent increase in air passenger and freight rates in response to the China National Aviation Corporation and Central Air Transport Corporation threat to reduce the number of scheduled flights in order to reduce operation losses.

The managements of the two companies are, conferring this morning if the new rates would permit a restoration of full operations. Both airlines suspended all Shanghai-Nanking flights on Sunday as well as this morning, causing great inconvenience to top-ranking Nanking officials who spent their week-end in Shanghai.—United Press.

BRITISH OFFICER KILLED

(Continued from Page 1)

Mr J. B. Chiffey, the Australian Premier, said he was not happy about the position of Singapore and Malaya, but Mr Malcolm MacDonald, the British Commissioner General in South East Asia, who was in a position to judge, had told him the position could be brought under control satisfactorily.—Reuter.

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OLYMPIC ROUNDUP

Britain Can Hope For Four First Places

After the most thoroughly organised hunt for talent in the history of Britain's amateur athletics, the Olympic Team has finally been selected and, unfortunately, represents one of the poorest aggregations ever to represent Great Britain at the Games.

Luck has been very much out where Britain's Olympic selectors are concerned and most of last season's promising performers have fallen off through injury. Yet, Britain can well hope for four first places. For these she will have to depend on John Parlett in the 800 metres, Alan Paterson in the high jump, Maureen Gardner in the women's hurdles and Dorothy Odam Tyler in the women's high jump.

Best bets of the four are Miss Gardner and Mrs. Tyler. The latter, who just lost the Olympic title at Berlin in 1936 in a jump-off for first place with Hungary's Iolya Csak, has more than likely to light it out to the last inch with Holland's Fanny Blankers-Koen and France's Micheline Ostermeyer.

Maureen Gardner's principal opposition will also come from Mrs. Blankers-Koen and from Australia's Shirley Strickland. The three represent the fastest that women have ever produced in the hurdles and the race should be a classic.

Of Britain's two hopes in the men's section, I fancy John Parlett sooner than Alan Paterson. Parlett has been doing his best time of 1:51.4 for the 800 metres, hardly compares with that of some of the other Olympic entries for this event.

The 800 metres at London will assemble the fastest field in history and it happens to be race too where strategy plays as great a part as sheer speed and the battle for position from the gun may force the poor strategist to run anything up to 20 yards more than 800 metres.

Parlett has proved himself an excellent judge of pace and position and on these qualities rather than on his speed with his hopes rest.

Alan Paterson has been clearing 6 feet 0 inches and 6 feet 5 inches in England this year and has just missed an attempt at 6 feet 7 inches.

Though the three American entries, his only serious competition outside of Australia's John Winter who beat him in the AAA Championships, have cleared as high as 6 feet 8 1/2 inches, it remains a moot point that they will do as well on Paterson's native ground and the Glasgow boy has more than an even chance to win at 6 feet 8 or 7 inches.

Never in its history has England been stronger in the field events with E. J. Brewer hitting 150 feet in the discus and Dalrymple and Chole passing the 200-foot mark in the javelin.

It is the inconsistency rather than the quality of British field events performers that will tell against them, but I still fancy a few Olympic points from the jumps and throws for Britain.

For a good outsider, watch Scots' Alan McCordquodale in the 200 metres. At the AAA Games he beat an all-star field and is worth a sound 21 seconds flat, at his best. He should reach the final.

Here is England's team for the Games:

100 Metres Dash: Alan McCordquodale (London AC), K. J. Jones (Newport AC) and E. MacDonald Bailey (Polytechnic H) or J. Archer (Notts AC).

200 Metres Dash: McCordquodale, J. Fairgrieve (Aberdeen) and P. H. Valle (Enfield AC).

AAA CHAMPIONSHIPS

Here Britain Did Do Well

Whatever Britain's showing will be at the Olympic Games, the AAA Championships at the White City a fortnight ago saw English, Scottish and Ulster athletes withstand a stronger foreign challenge to keep 10 out of the 19 individual titles.

Australia had the best showing of the Empire challengers, winning five first places, second and two thirds. New Zealand, favoured to take two first places, had to be content with two seconds. Eire managed two firsts.

The only strong European challenge came from the Dutch team which had to be content with a first and a third, their poorest showing at the AAA Championships, in which they compete regularly, in years.

THE SUMMARIES

100 Yards Dash: 1. John Treloar, Australia; 2. Alan McCordquodale, Scotland; 3. E. MacDonald Bailey, Trinidad. Time: 0.8 secs.

220 Yards Dash: 1. Alan McCordquodale, Scotland; 2. J. Fairgrieve, Scotland; 3. John Barratt, Australia. Time: 2.2 secs.

440 Yards Dash: 1. Morris Currota, Australia; 2. J. P. Reardon, Eire; 3. Bill Roberts, England. Time: 48.2 secs.

880 Yards Run: 1. John Parlett, England; 2. Douglas Harris, New Zealand; 3. Arthur Wint, Jamaica. Time: 1:52.2 sec.

One Mile Run: 1. G. W. Nankeville, England; 2. A. Barthol, Luxembourg; 3. Frits De Ruyter, Holland. Time: 4 mins. 14.2 secs.

Three Miles Run: 1. Wm Glynn, Holland; 2. H. A. O'Leary, England; 3. W. E. Lucas, England. Time: 14 mins. 7 sec.

Six Miles Run: 1. S. E. W. Cox, England; 2. J. H. Peter, England; 3. H. McCooke, Northern Ireland. Time: 47 mins. 10 sec.

120 Yards High Hurdles: 1. Joseph Birrell, England; 2. P. J. Gardner, Australia; 3. Dr. Charlie Green, Australia. Time: 18.1 secs.

440 Yards Low Hurdles: 1. Harry Whittle, England; 2. Jim Holland, New Zealand; 3. W. Christen Switzerland. Time: 54.0 secs.

High Jump: 1. John Winter, Australia; 2. Alan Paterson, Scotland; 3. Prince A. F. Adeyoyin, Nigeria. Height: 6 feet 4 inches.

Pole Vault: 1. F. R. Webster, England; 12 feet 3 inches; 2. J. Redpath, Scotland; 11 feet 6 inches; 3. T. D. Anderson, England; 11 feet 6 inches.

Long Jump: 1. Tom Bruce, Australia; 23 feet 9 1/2 inches; 2. Prince A. F. Adeyoyin, Nigeria; 22 feet 11 1/2 inches; 3. S. O. Williams, England; 22 feet 11 1/2 inches.

Hop, Step & Jump: 1. George Avery, Australia; 40 feet 5 1/2 inches; 2. A. S. Lindsay, Scotland; 40 feet; 3. S. E. Cross, England; 45 feet 2 inches.

Shot Put: 1. David Guiney, Eire; 47 feet 3 1/2 inches; 2. H. E. A. Moody, England; 46 feet 6 1/2 inches; 3. J. A. Giles, England; 45 feet 7 inches.

Discus Throw: 1. C. Clancy, Eire; 133 feet 6 inches; 2. E. J. Brewer, England; 137 feet 8 1/2 inches; 3. J. Reavell-Carter, England; 137 feet 7 1/2 inches.

Javelin Throw: 1. J. Stendenicks, Latvia; 218 feet 9 inches; 2. M. J. W. Dalrymple, England; 189 feet 3 1/2 inches; 3. M. V. Chole, England; 187 feet 1 inch.

Hammer Throw: 1. N. H. Drake, England; 161 feet 6 1/2 inches; 2. D. McD. Clarke, N. Ireland; 155 feet 11 inches; 3. E. C. K. Douglas, Scotland; 152 feet 3 1/2 inches.

Seven-Mile Walk: 1. H. G. Church, England; 2. J. Morris, England; 3. R. A. West, England. Time: 52 mins. 23 sec.

Two Miles Steeplechase: 1. T. P. E. Curry, England; 2. G. D. C. Tudor, England; 3. R. W. Howell, England. Time: 10 mins. 31.8 sec.

BY "RECORDER"

Pole Vault: F. R. Webster (Millican AC), Prince Adeyoyin, H. Whittle (Reading AC) and H. E. Askew (Aberdeen AC).

Hop, Step & Jump: A. S. Lindsay (St Andrew's University), Prince Adeyoyin and R. L. Hawkey (Darlington AC).

Shot Put: J. A. Giles (Southgate H) and H. E. A. Moody (South London H).

Discus Throw: E. J. Brewer (Old Rutlandians), J. Nesbitt (Royal Ulster Constabulary) and L. Reavell-Carter (RAF).

Javelin Throw: M. J. W. Dalrymple (London AC) and M. V. Chole (Aberdeen).

Hammer Throw: D. McD. Clarke (Royal Ulster Constabulary), E. C. K. Douglas (RAF) and N. H. Drake (Blackpool Flyde H).

WOMEN

100 Metres: Miss D. Batter (London Olympians), Mrs Winifred Jordan (Birmingham) and Miss D. Manley (Essex LAC).

200 Metres: Miss Sylvia Cheeseman (Spartan LAC), Miss M. Walker (Spartan LAC) and Miss A. Williamson (St Gregory's LAC).

80 Metres Hurdles: Mrs B. Crowther (Middlesex LAC), Miss Maureen Gardner (Oxford LAC) and Miss J. Upton (Spartan LAC).

400 Metres Relay: Team to be selected from Miss D. Batter, Miss S. Cheeseman, Miss M. Gardner, Mrs W. Jordan, Miss D. Manley, Miss M. Pictis (Airedale H), Miss M. Walker and Miss A. Williamson.

FIELD EVENTS

Long Jump: Miss M. Erskine (Birmingham Atlanta), Miss L. Lee (Tonbridge AC) and Mrs J. Shepherd (Essex LAC).

High Jump: Mrs B. Crowther (Middlesex LAC), Miss D. Gardner (Middlesex LAC) and Mrs D. Tyler (Milton AC).

Shot Put and Discus Throw: Mrs M. Birrell (Epsom and Ewell H), Miss B. Reid (Milton AC) and Miss E. Whyte (Epsom and Ewell H).

Javelin Throw: Miss G. Clarke (Birmingham H) and Miss K. Long (Epsom and Ewell H).

OLYMPIC FLAME ON ITS WAY

Corfu, July 18.—The Olympic flame, which yesterday began its journey from Greece to the Wembley for the opening of the Olympic Games, was today on its way from Corfu to Bari in the British frigate, Whitesdale Bay. On its arrival at Bari, the flame will be handed to an Italian runner.

LATINS EXCITED

London, July 18.—The Latin American delegations sprang a surprise on the British authorities of the Olympic Games when they requested training facilities for today. Argentinian, Chilean, Mexican, Uruguayan and Brazilian competitors wanted to continue their workouts and demanded transport and the use of fields, pools and rowing lanes for their men. British organisers were hard put to provide buses and facilities.—Associated Press.

JACK CRUMP BETTER

Manchester, July 18.—Jack Crump, manager of Britain's Olympic track and field team, was released from a Manchester hospital today.

He was taken there for treatment after he collapsed on Saturday while watching an English-Scottish-Welsh international track meet.—Associated Press.

SWISS GESTURE

Ludwigshafen, July 18.—The 60-foot long lake and white long-bow, which is delivering a special Olympic message from the citizens of the Swiss city to the Lord Mayor of London, arrived here this evening.—Reuter.

DANISH FESTIVAL

Details of the 15-day Anglo-Danish sport clash in connection with the British Exhibition in Copenhagen this autumn—have now been completed.

Approximately 40 British athletes will take part in the six-sport festival, which includes the first-ever full international Soccer match between the two countries, on September 28.

Tennis on September 10-10 begins the series, followed on September 22-23 by athletics, in which six British Olympic men are expected to take part.

FULL-SCALE BOXING

Three of Britain's speedy riders will tackle Denmark's best on September 28, when a parade will be held to display the latest and best in British machines.

Boxing, a full-scale eight-a-side international match for which the ABA will probably invite our Olympic team, comes on October 1. The British boxers may also visit Sweden.

Finally, on October 2-3, there is swimming—about which the organisers say "the Danish girls are so strong that it is necessary for us to have a Great Britain side to make the match interesting."

WIDE-EYED WATCHER



Australian Olympic wrestler Dick Garrard is anxiously eyed by his son, Dick, Jr., 4 1/2, as he throws Ken Bartelman during a Melbourne training match.

SILVER WINDMILL TROPHY

BRITISH CLUB WINS TENNIS INTERNATIONAL

Noordwijk, July 18.—The British International Club today won the Silver Windmill trophy, nosing out to victory over four other International Clubs on a better "set average".

Teams representing the International Clubs of Britain, the United States, France, Belgium and Holland each played 16 matches throughout the week-long tournament, with the British, American and Dutch clubs each winning 11 contests and setting averages deciding the placings in that order.

Britain had a net average of 25 sets, the United States 23, while France won only seven matches and Belgium three.

In his revenge match against Bob Falkenberg, John Bromwich again muffed match point at 5-2 in the second set, but clinched his victory with a "blitz volley" to the cheers of 8,000 spectators.

Falkenberg lost many points on double faults and was somewhat shaky for Bromwich to pass him.—United Press.

SWISS TOURNEY ABANDONED

Ostend, Switzerland, July 18.—The Swiss lawn tennis championships, which began last Monday, were abandoned today owing to the continuous rain. The weather has interfered with the meeting since the start and some events did not reach the semi-final stage.

Heraldo Weiss, of Argentina, and Naranda Nath, of India, and Jaroslav Drobny, of Czechoslovakia, were among the players who won through the third round of the men's singles yesterday, while Madame Weiss, of Argentina, and Madame Bossi, of Italy, had reached the women's semi-final.—Reuter.

LAWN BOWLS LEAGUE TABLES

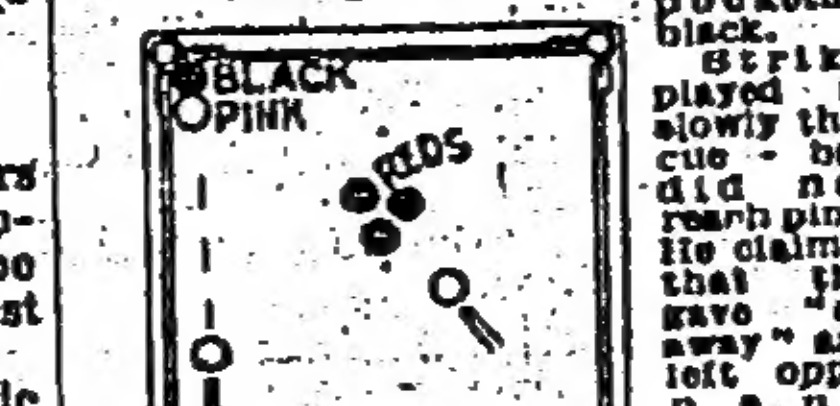
Both Club de Recreo and the Craignagower Cricket Club, the First Division winners, managed four points each on Saturday to establish a long lead in the Division standings.

HOW THEY STAND

First Division				
	Shots	Points		Total
C de R	5 328 235	93 8 13	21	
CCC	5 340 255	85 10 9 1/2	19 1/2	
KCC	5 295 285	6 7 1/2	13 1/2	
HKFC	5 287 275	11 6 7	11	
KDGC	5 272 260	3 4 7	11	
IRC	5 218 352	-134 - 4	4	
IRC	4 217 245	-23 - 3	3	
Second Division "A"				
TC	0 380 321	59 6 11	17	
IRC	0 361 350	11 7 10	17	
C de R	0 360 335	25 7 8	15	
HKFC	5 291 280	11 6 8	14	
KCC	5 308 315	-7 6 8	14	
FC	0 290 397	-98 2 6	8	
Second Division "B"				
C de R	6 351 251	100 10 13	23	
CCC	6 367 311	80 10 11	21	
KDGC	6 380 304	70 8 12	20	
POC	6 303 298	5 2 7	9	
HKFC	6 214 303	-79 4 5	9	
HKFC	6 278 404	-78 - 3	3	

Arthur Peall says:

BLACK is on the brink of the top position with pink the only other ball in play, almost touching. Almost impossible to do this without giving away a pocket.



to hit pink. Were the referee to award six points to opponent, and cue ball to play again, and hit pink, then reds are grouped as shown in centre of diagram. Striker, on a red, claims a free ball, being unable to hit any point of the reds by a direct stroke. Common, but always wrong, claim one red cannot snooker another red.

FOURTH TEST MATCH

Len Hutton Back In England's Team

London, July 18.—England's team to meet Australia in the fourth Cricket Test, starting at Leeds on Thursday next, July 22, will be selected from the following 12 players:

Norman Yardley (Yorkshire) captain;
W. J. Edrich (Middlesex), Kenneth Cranston (Lancashire), Len Hutton (Yorkshire), Cyril Washbrook (Lancashire), R. Pollard (Lancashire), Denis Compton (Middlesex), T. G. Evans (Kent), Alec Bedser (Surrey), Jim Laker (Surrey), J. A. Young (Middlesex) and J. F. Crapp (Gloucestershire).

There are no newcomers to the latest England side as Laker played in the first two Tests and Cranston appeared in the West Indies series last winter. Hutton, who was dropped from the Third Test, is recalled, Cranston and Laker being other newcomers compared with the Manchester match, with Emmett, Warde, then 12th man, and Dolly dropped. The 12th man is not nominated and it is not expected that another player will be chosen.

Hutton's recall will be extremely popular in both England and Australia and it is expected that he will be thoroughly fit, particularly as he is resting from Yorkshire's current engagement.

The fact that tried players have been brought back instead of experimenting with promising youngsters suggests that the selectors are chiefly concerned with drawing the rubber rather than introducing new blood to the England side.

The Ashes are safe in Australia's keeping with their two wins and a draw, but if England win at Leeds and the Oval, they can draw the present series. Hutton would not comment on his recall beyond saying that he is at present under the doctor but feels much better and expects to be perfectly fit by Thursday.—Reuter.

Frenchman Wins Motor Race

Paris, July 18.—Jean Pierre Wimille of France won a closely contested race for the Grand Prix of the Automobile Club de France at Rheims today when he covered the 500 kilometres in three hours one minute seven and a half seconds, with an average speed of 155.699 kilometres an hour.

He beat the Italian, Consalvo Sanesi, who finished in three hours one minute, 32 seconds, with an average speed of 154.255 kilometres an hour. Third in three hours one minute 32.5 seconds. All three were driving Italian Alfetta cars.

The only British competitor, John Heath, on an Alta, retired with a badly slipping clutch after six laps, while two other British drivers, Prince Bira and H. L. Brooke, were eliminated before the race began because, according to the official reason, their cars were too old.

Earlier, a 200-kilometres event for light cars was won by E. Raymond Sommer, of France, driving a Ferrari in one hour 18 minutes 46.4 seconds. Prince Bira retired in the 18th lap when second, with a broken water pump.—Reuter.

SPEEDBOAT CLASSIC

Geneva, July 18.—Achille Castoldi, of Italy, today won the world championship for the 450 kilometre racing boats with an average speed of 80.268 kilometres an hour in the last of four heats. He had led in the first two heats held in Milan last May and achieved an average of 81.320 kilometres an hour in the third heat at Geneva yesterday.

The last two heats were run over 18 laps each and a distance of 24 kilometres.

The International Grand Prix for class B outboards over 7.5 kilometres was won by Paul Schiller, of Switzerland, with an average speed of 79.622 kilometres an hour in the second and final heat after he had returned 78.510 in the first.

After the first heat of the European championship for Class C outboards today, three French racers were in the lead, averaging 72.432, 72.465 and 70.477 kilometres an hour respectively. The final heat will be run tomorrow.—Reuter.

Shanghai Soccer XI Still Unbeaten

Manila, July 18.—The Shanghai soccer team defeated the Y.C.O. Athletic Club 3 goals to 1 today in a hectic game at the Rizal Memorial Stadium.

8,000 spectators saw the Chinese combined team rally in the last quarter after being blanked by the 1948 Manila football league champions.

Loo Zoo-zoo scored two goals and Foo Chung-hwa one. It was the Chinese team's second win in three games.

Last night's game against the crew of the cruiser, La Argentina, was called off early in the second quarter because of rain, with Shanghai leading 2-1.—Associated Press.

AUSTRALIAN TRIBUTE

London, July 18.—While today has been remembered as the centenary of the birth of Dr W. G. Grace, the "Father" of cricket, his grave beneath the white marble memorial cross and slab in the Crystal Palace and Elmers End Cemetery has been almost ignored.

There was one group of visitors to the famous last resting place however, as a wreath of pink carnations, roses, lilies and laurel appeared on the grave during the day. It bore a simple white card on which was typewritten "In memory of the great cricketer from all Australia," and was signed by Keith Johnson, manager of the Australian team of 1948.

This was the only wreath put on the grave, and so quickly was it put there that even those in charge of the cemetery did not know about it until two visitors asked permission to photograph it.

The wife of the cemetery secretary said someone must have known the cemetery to have found the grave, as no one had called during the day to make enquiries.—Reuter.

Baseball

New York, July 18.—Blasting out four home runs in the first game of a double-header, Pat Seery, Chicago leftfielder, equalled a long standing major league record and handed the White Sox a 12-11 victory over Philadelphia in the American League. Chuck Klein of the Philadelphia Phillies was the last man to equal the four home run record, in 1936.

The game was wild and took more than 3 1/2 hours to complete. Eleven pitchers saw action in the contests.

Philadelphia took the second game 6-1 over Chicago. It was cut to five innings by Philadelphia's Sunday curfew.

New York crushed Detroit 12-4 in the second game of their double-header after the Tigers took the opener by five runs to six.

Centre fielder Hoot Evers, clouted a home run with the bases loaded in the fifth to spark the Tigers in their win. The second game was called because of darkness after six and a half innings.

Boston allowed Saint Louis four runs in both games and then came from behind to take both ends of a double header, 12-5 and 7-6.

Catcher Birdie Tebbetts hit a two on homer for the Red Sox in the opening inning of the first game of the opener.

Cleveland scored two runs in the 12th inning to defeat Washington 6-4 in the second game of a double-header after capturing the first game 2-1.

Sam Zolday, sixth Cleveland pitcher, received credit for the second game, while Gene Bearden registered his eighth victory in the opener.

THE SCORES

American League			
	R	H	E
Chicago (1st game)	12	24	1
Philadelphia	11	12	1
(Winning pitcher Judson)			
Chicago (2nd game)	1	0	1
Philadelphia	6	7	0
(Winning pitcher McCahan)			
New York (1st game)	3	6	0
Detroit	5	9	2
(Winning pitcher Hal Newhouse)			
New York (2nd game)	12	15	0
Detroit	4	8	2
(Winning pitcher Tommy Byrne)			
Saint Louis (1st game)	5	11	3
Boston	12	10	0
(Winning pitcher Johnson)			
Saint Louis (2nd game)	6	12	0
Boston	7	0	1
(Winning pitcher Harris)			
Cleveland (1st game)	2	0	0
Washington	1	9	0
(Winning pitcher Gene Bearden)			
Cleveland (2nd game)	6	11	1
Washington	4	11	1
(Winning pitcher Sam Zolday)			

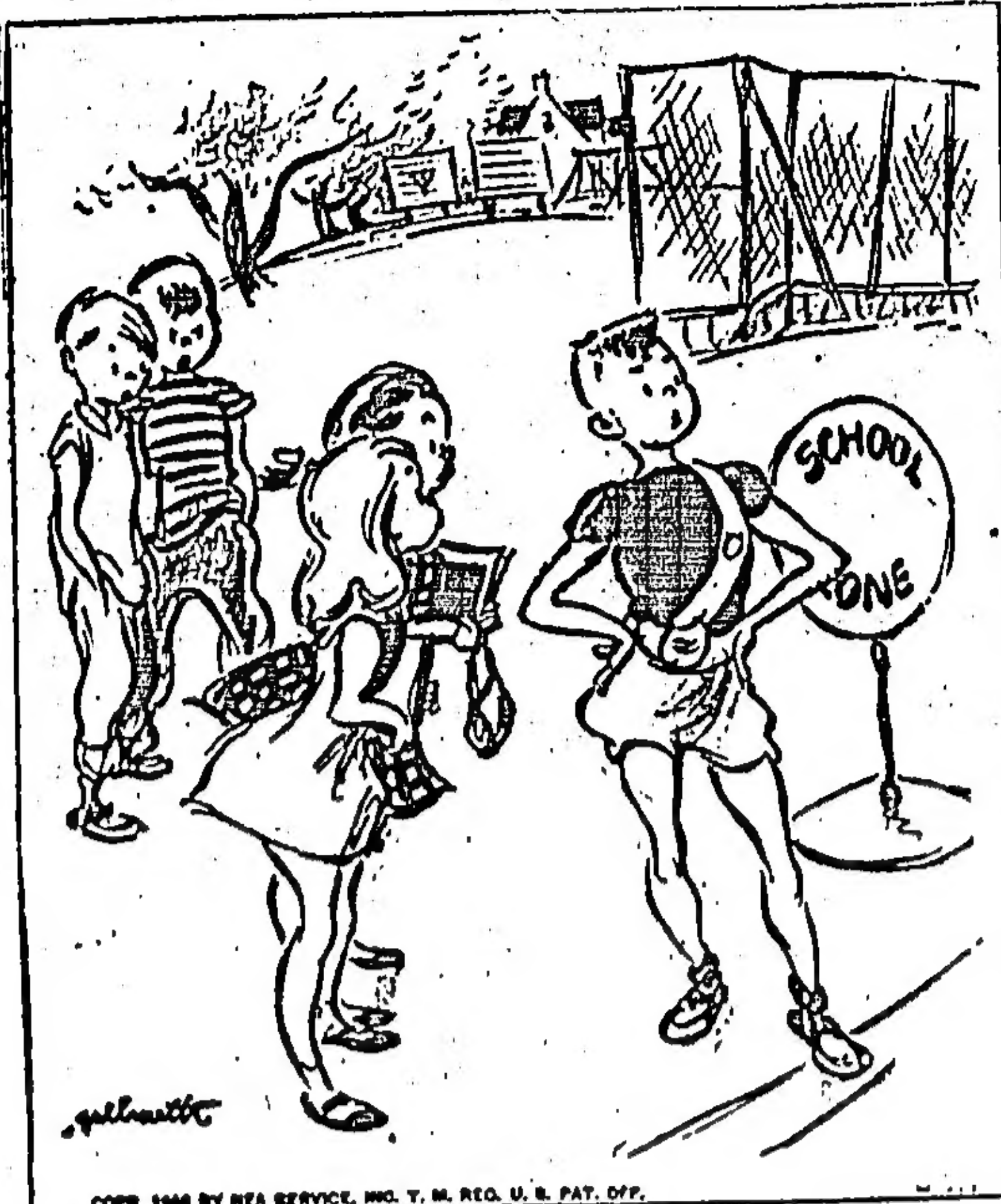
HOW THEY STAND

American League			
	W	L	Perc.
Cleveland	49	31	.613
Philadelphia	52	35	.598
New York	48	34	.585
Boston	44	37	.543
Detroit	42	41	.506
Washington	35	47	.427
Saint Louis	20	50	.287
Chicago	27	51	.345

FOR YOUR SPARE MOMENTS

SIDE GLANCES

By Galbraith



"With dance it's always uniforms!"

McKENNEY ON BRIDGE

A Shrewd Defence Against 3 No Trump

BY WILLIAM E. McKENNEY

THE amateur pair championship of the Eastern States regional tournament in New York City had the exceptionally large turnout this year of 100 pairs. The winners were Miss Barbara Srenco and Jerome W. Brier of New York City.

I saw Miss Srenco execute a defensive play on today's hand that any Life Master might be proud of performing. With optimistic bidding, East and West arrived at a contract of three no trump. Miss Srenco (South) opened the six of spades, which declarer won with the jack, then led the king of diamonds.

Miss Srenco knew that if her partner did not have the jack of diamonds, there was nothing she

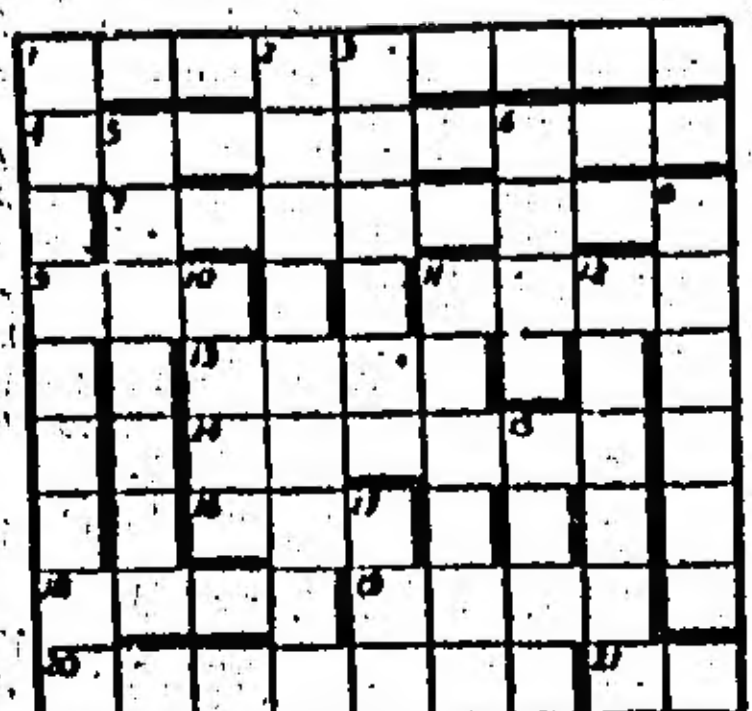
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could do to stop the contract, so instead of putting the five of diamonds on the king, she played her queen.

You can see what happened. When declarer continued the diamond suit, North got in the lead with the jack and was able to come through the spades. Miss Srenco's spade suit was established while she still had the king of clubs and her partner still had the king of hearts.

Why did she not wait until the second round and unblock with the queen of diamonds? If she had, declarer could have led the eight of diamonds and let her hold the trick if she put on the queen. Then if she led a heart East could have taken the finesse and let North win with the king. But when North came back with a spade, declarer could have won it, and could have taken two spade tricks, three hearts and four diamonds—enough for game.

CROSSWORD PUZZLE



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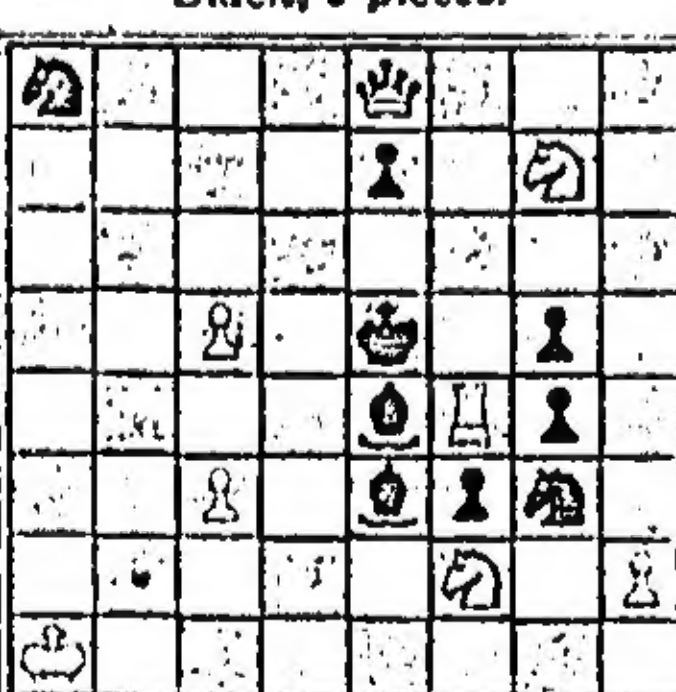


Check Your Knowledge

- Does the grapefruit or the orange contain more vitamin C?
- For how many years did George Washington serve as first president of the United States?
- Where was Beethoven born?
- What country served as the home of the International Red Cross during World War II?
- Name the oldest city in North America.
- How are the continents of North and South America joined?

(Answers on Column 5)

CHESS PROBLEM

By A. ULANDER
Black, 9 pieces.

White, 8 pieces.

White to play and mate in three. Solution to Saturday's problem:

1. Kt-Q7, any; 2. Q. B or Kt mates.

YOUR BIRTHDAY

By STELLA

MONDAY, JULY 19

BORN today, you have considerable inner strength and poise. Your intuitions are more than ordinarily strong and at times they are almost psychic in nature. Deeply analytical, you are able to get at real motives behind superficial facts. You are a seeker after basic truths.

You have talent in literature and should develop it. It is likely that your writing will be inspirational in nature. It is also more than likely that you will write some poetry, although that may be more for your own diversion and pleasure than anticipated publication.

You are, at heart, a disciplinarian. Believing that duty should be paramount, you have the ability to make others see your point of view. You are original and inventive in your plans as well as in your method

of protecting them. This makes you a leader in ideas—and often you become, also, an actual leader of some group fighting very definitely for a cause.

You are intensely fond of nature and travel. You will not be a casual "tripper", either, but will want to live for lengthy periods of time in the places you visit so that you may become accustomed to the ways and manners of others. You are so self-sufficient that marriage will likely take a secondary place in your life. If you wed at all, select a man whose ideas along this line are similar.

To find what the stars have in store for tomorrow, select your birthday star and read the corresponding paragraph. Let your birthday star be your daily guide.

TUESDAY, JULY 20

CANCER (June 23-July 23)—Don't take too much stock in vague promises. Investigate everything before committing yourself.

LEO (July 24-Aug. 23)—An excellent day for new enterprises, both social and business—if you avoid excesses. Conservative action pays off now.

VIRGO (Aug. 24-Sept. 23)—Exert caution in everything as there are threatening oppositional forces which cannot be entirely overbalanced.

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 23)—While delaying important decisions, don't be forced into a compromise. Hold your ground firmly; be patient.

SCORPIO (Oct. 24-Nov. 23)—Be confident and act on some difficult job which lies before you. Compromise isn't good solution, either.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 23-Dec. 23)—Irritating and confusing when it comes to trying to settle anything important. Tread water for now.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 23-Jan. 20)—Avoid expanding production or making unnecessary changes until things are more settled everywhere.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 21-Feb. 19)—The trades and the crafts may go forward without intervention, but executives need to examine new plans very carefully for flaws.

PISCES (Feb. 20-Mar. 20)—Routine action is best. Co-ordinate plans and make ready, but don't shoot off your guns prematurely.

ARIES (Mar. 21-Apr. 20)—Be alert to tag any schemes presented you which are not strictly on the up-and-up. Don't be fooled by false promises.

TAURUS (Apr. 21-May 21)—Screen your business associates most carefully and make sure that all propositions offered are sound.

GEMINI (May 22-June 22)—If you watch your tongue and don't blow off steam at the wrong moment, you can see that improved conditions are being formulated now.

SCIENCE AT WORK:

OFFICIAL NAME SOUGHT FOR ORPHAN ELEMENT

By PAUL F. ELLIS

THE "orphan" member of the family of nature's elements may soon have an official name.

This particular child of nature for years has been known as merely "Element 61," mostly because there have been conflicting claims about who discovered it.

The new campaign to give the element an official name has been launched by Jack A. Marinsky and L. E. Glendenin, young chemists studying at the Massachusetts Institute of Technology. They want to call the element promethium, contending that the first pure samples of the element were produced in the atomic pile at Oak Ridge, Tennessee.

They chose the name Promethium for Prometheus, the titan in Greek mythology who stole fire from heaven for the use of mankind and for his audacity was chained to a mountain by the gods and set upon by vultures.

"This name," they reported to the American Chemical Society meeting in Syracuse, "not only symbolizes the dramatic way in which the element may be produced in quantity as a result of man's harnessing of the energy of nuclear fission, but also warns man of the impending danger of punishment by the vulture of war."

Of course, the young chemists may still meet argument from other factions in the chemical world. More than 20 years ago, chemists in the United States and in Italy claimed discovery of Element 61 in natural ores and proposed the names of illinium and florentium, respectively.

Marinsky and Glendenin say those claims have been proved incorrect—that element 61 actually was not found until the atomic pile at Oak Ridge went to work.

They contend that there is no doubt that Element 61 was produced in the atomic pile in two ways, by purification of the products of uranium fission and by bombardment with neutrons of a little known element called neodymium.

By a method known as ion exchange and involving chemically active plastic powder, Element 61 was isolated in pure form, they said.

The friendly feud among the chemists has been going on for years. It also broke out at the annual meeting of the Chemical Society in New York—but still no decision was made.

The MIT chemists are now offering additional proof; they want the honour of naming the element.

Drop the names of illinium and florentium, and call it promethium, they insist.

ZBW RADIO

H.K.T.
6. Programme Summary: 6.01, "Navy Mixtures" Melodrama (BBC); 6.15, "New Concert" Melodrama (BBC); 6.30, "Hospital Request" Melodrama (BBC); 6.45, "Dickinson (Studio); 7.00, "Accent on Thursday (BBC); 7.15, "Famous Overtures"; 7.30, "Portuguese" Melodrama (Studio); 7.45, "World Highlights on the Films presented by Viv Garton (Studio); 8.00, "Like What I Like" (Studio); 8.15, "Bill Whittier (Studio); 8.30, "A Programme of Marches and Waltzes Presented by the Military Band of 2nd Batt. The Buffs, Conductor: W.D. Foster, A.R.C.M. By kind permission of Lt. Col. F. W. B. Parry, Officer Commanding, 2nd Battalion, Buffs (BBC); 8.45, "World and Home News (London Relay); 9.00, "Weather Report; 9.10, "Selections from Operas; 9.15, "Dance to Jack Payne and His Orchestra; 11.00, "Radio Newsweek (London Relay); 11.15, "Weather Report and Close down.

OUTWARD MAILS

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MONDAY, JULY 19
Closing Times By Air

Shanghai, Nanking, Hankow, Tientsin, Peking, Luchow, Kuming, Amoy, Foochow and Swatow 2.30 p.m.

Closing Times By Sea & Train

Macao and Tientsin (Sea) 4 p.m.
Kongmoon (by Canton) (Train) 5 p.m.
Canton (Parcels and 2nd class Mail) (Sea) 5 p.m.

BOAC Delayed
The BOAC plane from United Kingdom, due on Sunday, July 19, is now expected to arrive today.



BY THE WAY

A HUSH OF expectancy, and a none other, falls over the court as Mr Justice Cocklecarrot surveys, with a cynicism born of long experience, the eleven male members of the jury, and, with a rather more than academic interest, the one female member.

The accused, Henry Vagwire, bearing on his face all the marks of depravity one associates with a man who does not scruple to nail down felt on a roof without licence or permit, takes the oath. The barristers shuffle their papers. The solicitors peer over their spectacles. Mr Honeyweather Gooseboote, hideously suave, moistens his cracked lips with the tip of a slightly furry tongue, throws out his paunch, and, casting on the bewildered carpenter Vagwire the kind of look a drayman gives a stray cat, begins his cross-examination.

A sharp exchange

IT soon transpires that Henry Vagwire's name is Henry Vagwire, and that he does not intend to deny that he is a carpenter, or that he feloniously made use of seventeen nails, all that were left of 200 bought from Messrs. Owlson and Froste, of Gohhurst, in 1926, to nail a piece of felt on to the roof of a hen-house. The jury nod their heads sagely, and in silent condemnation of this damaging admission, and are suddenly stung to a more active interest in the proceedings by a sharp exchange.

Mr Gooseboote: You made no application for licence or permit?

Vagwire: No, I didn't know I had to.

Mr Gooseboote: Don't you know the laws of your country?

Vagwire: No. Can't a man use his own nails on his own hen-house?

Mr Gooseboote (in a voice of thunder, and playing to the jury): He cannot, sir!

Controversy

DEAR SIR,
I see that a Mrs Jelly, who says that she saw a man in her kitchen, on all fours, propelling a pea with alternate nostrils, claims that he was pea-pushing in the Abernanner manner. May I point out that the Abernanner method is to push the pea with the entire nose? The alternate-nostril push is the Hemel Hempstead method, and is suitable only in flat country. For mountain work the whole nose must be behind each stroke.

Yours faithfully,

Evans the Hears.

CHECK YOUR KNOWLEDGE

Answers

- The orange. 2. Eight years. 3. Bonn, Germany. 4. Switzerland. 5. St. John's, Newfoundland. 6. By the Isthmus of Panama.

FOR THE BUSINESSMAN

LONDON STOCKS:

WEEKLY MARKET REVIEW

London, July 17.—The London stock market ended the week very flat, with millions sterling wiped off market values on Friday when 60 Superfortress bombers took off for "aircraft carrier" Britain.

HONGKONG SHARES

The Hongkong share market was quiet this morning, a cautious attitude being evident on the part of operators.

The turnover was \$129,625. Details of transactions and noon prices follow:—

BANKS	2000	2031
HSBC	141	
East Asia		
INDUSTRIALS		
Canton	300	300
Union	750	763
HSBC	200	200
SHIPPING		
Waterboat	35	38
DOCKS, ETC.		
Wharf (O)	105	100
DOCK		
Wharf (O)	23 1/2	
LAND, ETC.		
HSBC	81	82 1/2
HSBC		80
UTILITIES		
Electric	22 1/2	200
Telephone (O)	42 1/2	400
Telephone (O)	42 1/2	150
INDUSTRIALS		
Cement	43	44
HOPE	10 1/2	100
STOCKS, ETC.		
Dairy (O)	53 1/2	400
Dairy (New)	51 1/2	400
Watson (Old)	53	500
Watson (New)	53	500
Watson (New)	53	500
MISCELLANEOUS		
Entertainment	40	

The Stock Exchange jobbers, when they took their stands on Friday morning, were not a little mystified at the overnight slump in New York. They were convinced that their confreres in Wall Street must "know something very unpleasant" which had not been divulged abroad, but it was not until afternoon that the facts came out, whereupon prices were marked down.

Since June 1, when the Berlin "incidents" began to multiply, Britain's "blue chip" industrials have lost about 12 percent of their market values. The Financial Times Index of leading industrials closed at 109.7, almost penetrating the year's low of 109.5 touched on February 20.

Apparently, there was some official support for British Government securities, but the index closed at 111.80, which is the lowest since April 29.

Gold shares were not in demand and moved lower.

Compared with the beginning of the week Royal Dutch lost 10 to 2.23, Anglo-Iranian lost 6/3 to reach its previous low of this year of 157/6, while Burma Oil and Shell both lost 3/.

EUROPEAN BONDS

Curiously, European bonds fared much better than might have been expected. German Potash "seven percent" lost only £1 to £50, while Italian "seven percents", ignoring the front page news, lost only £1/2 to £45-1/2.

Cotton Futures Steady

New York, July 17.—Cotton futures held steady this morning in the face of numerous influences pulling at the market. The last finished four points lower to 10 points higher than the preceding week.

The July 47/48 contract expired on Wednesday at 34.37, which was 10 points above the close last week and only two points above its previous prices.

Prices wavered throughout the week, but failed to develop a definite trend, as traders adopted a "wait and wait" attitude towards the foreign and domestic political situation and also market factors which had been in the background for some time. These factors are crop, loan, the ECA export programme and crop estimates. The recall of Congress brought fears that restrictive legislation may be retable.

WAGE BOOST

Friday's announcement of a wage boost for steel workers, which will be followed shortly by a price increase induced momentary eagerness as the list sold off in sympathy with stocks.

It appears that E. C. A. will be lagging in the near future, and this acted to depress the market. There was a considerable foreign demand backlog and some allocations had been made, although the fund release is being held up pending agreement to the United States terms. It is believed that July/September shipments will be above normal, but it appears that E. C. A. will hold off big purchases until most of the new crop is available.

A primary difficulty since July went off the board is the current difference between Spots and Futures.—United Press.

RICE EXPERTS TO CONFER

Washington, July 17.—Twenty rice experts from the Far East and other areas, including members of the International Emergency Food Council, will depart by plane for a special Council meeting in Mexico City on Monday.

A spokesman of the International Emergency Food Council indicated that discussions would be on a broad scale, while informed sources said the agenda would include discussions on further rice allocations.

Nearly all the principal rice importing countries are reported to be seeking a share of the 100,000 tons of Surinam surplus rice offered by the IECF rice committee and had made allocations for the current quarter on the basis of preliminary national estimates.—United Press.

Exchange Rates

Business was done in the local unofficial exchange market this morning at the following rates:	
Chinese dollars (per CNH) (m.)	1.10
US dollars (per US\$)	14.33
Gold bars (per 100)	330.00
Gold bars (per 100)	11.80
US dollars (per 100)	23.70
US dollars (per 100)	43.30

INTERESTS IN INDIA

Sir Shammukhan Chetty, Indian Finance Minister, has quoted as having said in Calcutta apropos the recent interim settlement of the Dominion sterling balances: "We will take over British commercial enterprises whenever it is convenient, and repayment will be made from the remainder of the accumulated sterling balances for certain classes of transactions, mainly of a capital nature." This calm remark came as a bombshell in the City of London.

India long ago paid off her governmental indebtedness to British investors, but there is still a useful sum invested in Indian enterprises—about £75,000,000 sterling in companies registered in India, and miscellaneous trade interests estimated at about 50 to 100 million pounds sterling or roughly a grand total somewhere between £225,000,000 and £275,000,000 sterling.—United Press.

U.S. BULLION MOVEMENTS

Washington, July 17.—The United States Department of Commerce today reported bullion movements for the week ending June 30 as follows:—

Gold Exports US\$14,086,462; Gold Imports US\$4,932,100.

Silver Exports US\$12,002; Silver Imports US\$903,513.

Exports of gold included Canada US\$12,002,010; Canal Zone US\$370; Cuba US\$25,050; Uruguay US\$31,938; Portugal US\$45,400; Greece US\$1,003,559; Indo-China US\$20,200; Netherlands East Indies US\$117,500; Philippines US\$230,800.

Imports of gold included Canada US\$209,207; Mexico US\$2,037; El Salvador US\$43,401; Nicaragua US\$109,542; Cuba US\$85; Ecuador US\$35,001; Chile US\$34,070; United Kingdom US\$84,105,421; Portugal US\$12,070; Philippines US\$9,548.—United Press.

Authorisations By E.C.A.

Washington, July 18.—The Economic Co-operation Administration today announced new procurement authorisations totalling US\$27,811,042 for Austria, France, Greece, Netherlands and the French zone in Germany. France's authorisation was the largest, amounting to US\$22,847,433.

Metals and minerals, medical supplies, petroleum products, cotton and fertilizer, as well as food, were authorized.—United Press.

70 Skymasters To Augment Berlin "Air Bridge"

Stepping Up Food Supplies

Berlin, July 18.—Another 70 giant four-engined Skymasters from the United States will soon augment the "air bridge" supplying the three Western sectors of Berlin over the Soviet blockade, it was reliably learned today.

Under normal conditions, they would increase the flow of supplies into the German capital by 2,100 tons daily, as each of the Skymasters is expected to carry a 10-ton load three times in every 24 hours.

The Americans are already using about 60 Skymasters in the "air bridge."

The best flying weather for a fortnight today favoured the air lift into Berlin, and the British "met" office at Gatow Airport forecast the next 24 hours would see a bigger than ever flow of supplies.

Royal Air Force authorities here described an "entirely fictitious" report in the Soviet licensed newspaper, the National Zeitung, today that former Luftwaffe pilots were being used by the Royal Air Force in the "air lift."

The paper had alleged that the Germans, members of a so-called secret "Baltic Legion", were ordered to take part by Lord Tedder, the Chief of Air Staff, who arrived in Berlin last Thursday. "It was felt that, due to constant bad weather, the only pilots with a good knowledge of the local topography could be used on the Berlin run," the paper added.

NEVER USED

The British authorities replied: "On no occasion have German nationals been employed by the Royal Air Force on operational duties, nor are they likely to be in the near future."

The official Soviet newspaper, Tagliche Rundschau, said today that "all difficulties can be removed" if the Allies agreed to the Soviet proposals for Germany, adding: "The propaganda of the splitters that Russia cannot guarantee the whole of Berlin's supplies is mendacious."

The American controlled radio reported into last night that railway workers had removed 10 miles of track from the Berlin-Helmstedt railway, the vital East-West line whose closure by the Russians completed the blockade of Berlin.

Leading Soviet Zone railway officials said last week that the sleepers were rotting and that repairs would be completed as soon as possible.—Reuter.

PURCHASING PROBLEM

London, July 18.—Britain now building air liners that will be the best and fastest in the world, may be forced to buy planes abroad to maintain the passenger market.

She has started to produce 10-engined turbine powered 80-seater Saunders-Roe flying boats, but Sunderland is developing an all-jet 600 miles an hour air liner that will fly the Atlantic in an afternoon while the giant Brabazon 100-seater will shortly undergo tests.

These machines, certain to be world winners in the export market, will not be in service for several years and, meanwhile, Britain's nationalised air lines, along with modified war planes, trying to rival firms using postwar machines made in the United States.

Britain is now faced with a double problem: whether to buy American planes to present a bold front to international competitors or to wait till her own machines are ready.

Buying abroad, it is argued, would hurt the British aircraft industry, which in wartime turns out fighters and bombers for the Royal Air Force and would harm the export trade by giving rise to the argument that how could Britain expect to sell planes abroad if she does not think them good enough to operate herself.

The main argument for the buy-abroad protagonists is that the nation's airways, which had a £10,000,000 loss last year, will face ruin if they do not modernise their fleet and capture new business.—Reuter.

Father's Long Search For Lost Son

Waldoboro, Maine, July 18.—A father came home today after travelling around the world in a painstaking search for his soldier son whose body he thought was buried in a plane's wreckage near Balikpapan, Borneo.

Six months ago, grey-haired John Foster set out to seek his son, Donald, 21, missing and presumed dead by the army since he vanished aboard a Liberator bomber on October 22, 1944.

A Japanese war prisoner led Foster to the wreckage of a plane near Balikpapan. He said: "I am sure that's where my boy lies. The civilian government employees at Manilla are working to have the plane identified. When it is up I'll know."

RECREATION FOR BERNADOTTE



Count Folke Bernadotte (second from left) of Sweden, UN Palestine mediator, walks in water with his wife and sons Ockie (left), 16, and Bertil, 12, during relaxing moments on island of Rhodes. Bernadotte is returning to Palestine to implement the new truce called by the Security Council of the United Nations.—AP Picture.

Woman Candidate For Congress

Portland, July 18.—Leaders of the Progressive Party in Oregon announced today that the widow of Marine Brig-Gen Evans F. S. Carlson, Pacific war hero, would run for Congress from Oregon on the Third Party ticket.

They said Mrs Carlson, a resident of Clackamas County, will be nominated formally at the congressional district convention to be held at an announced date.

The opening session of the Wallace-Taylor party convention in Oregon began here on Saturday with a resolution supporting Harry Bridges' International Longshoremen's and Warehousemen's Union. "In any lockout or strike that may develop after September 2,"

About 150 persons gathered beneath a large red, white and blue portrait of Wallace smiling down on the meeting from behind the rostrum.

Chairman Nels Peterson, Portland labour attorney, opened the convention by charging that the "old parties have ignored the needs of the people and this deficit was dramatised by the tragedy at Vancouver City."—United Press.

MIGRATION TO AUSTRALIA

Canberra, July 18.—Latest immigration figures for the four months ending April, 1948, disclosed that 16,400 people came permanently to Australia.

Acting Commonwealth Statistician R. S. Carver said, however, that the permanent gain to the population was only 10,250 people because over the same period, 6,100 persons left the country permanently.

The permanent arrivals comprised 45 percent of all arrivals, the permanent departures, 25 percent of all departures. Of the 16,400 arrivals, 6,000 were men, 7,800 women.—United Press.

Display Cancelled

Moscow, July 18.—The mammoth air parade, planned to take place here today to celebrate Soviet Aviation Day, was cancelled owing to rain and low clouds. "It is to be held later."—Reuter.

Snipers Fire On Siena Funeral Procession

Rome, July 18.—Snipers with rifles and automatic weapons today opened fire at Siena on the funeral procession for three policemen slain when they tried to defend the Abbadia San Salvatore electric power substation during last week's general strike and violence.

An undetermined number of persons was injured by bullets. Telephone and telegraph communications between Siena and Florence were severed. Reports said that snipers fired from the roof and windows of the Agriturismo Workers Union headquarters in midtown Siena. Troops were reported to have surrounded Siena, ancient town of more than 48,000, to check everyone entering the town.

Meanwhile, the condition of Palmiro Togliatti, who was gravely wounded, remained unchanged. A medical bulletin said, "The temperature, pulse and blood pressure remained unchanged. Hereafter one bulletin will be issued daily at midnight." It was signed by three physicians who have attended Togliatti since he was struck down by bullets fired by a Sicilian law student as Togliatti left Parliament on Wednesday.

U.S. ACCUSED

Pietro Secchia, acting head of the Italian Communist Party today made the first formal implication that America was behind the shooting of the Communist leader, Palmiro Togliatti.

In a two column front page article in the party newspaper, Unità, Secchia wrote that the Communists newsmen have been hinting for days—that the Americans, perhaps at the connivance of the British and the Vatican, tried to eliminate Togliatti as the only man who could prevent Italy's joining the Western powers in a war with Russia.

Secchia recalled that Togliatti had promised in a Chamber of Deputies to call workers to revolt rather than see Italy join an anti-Russian crusade.—United Press.

Windsor Pomp And Ceremony

Windsor, July 18.—The King and Queen, with Prince Elizabeth and her husband, the Duke of Edinburgh, Carter, the ancient Order of Knights, attended the 600th anniversary of the foundation of the Order at St George's Chapel here tonight.

Earl Mountbatten, former Viceroy of India, stood with his fellow Knights on the steps of the Chapel to receive the Sovereign of the Order and his Consort, who were dressed in full Garter robes with long flowing mantles of dark blue velvet.

The Order was instituted as a military Order by King Edward III in 1340, but is now more generally bestowed on royal personages and leading members of the Peerage. A fanfare of trumpets proclaimed the arrival of the King and Queen.—Reuter.

Late Gen. Pershing Lies In State

Washington, July 18.—The body of General John Joseph Pershing today lay in state in the rotunda of the Capitol and thousands of Americans, led by President Truman, filed past the bier in tribute to the great old soldier.

The nation's highest ranking military officer, who led the American expeditionary force to victory in France in World War I, was receiving in death the greatest honours the nation can bestow. The flag-draped casket was borne from Walter Reed Army Hospital, where Pershing died on Thursday at the age of 87, to the historic catafalque under the high Capitol where only 11 other Americans have lain in state.

President Truman arrived at the Capitol a short while later, almost unnoted slipping into the rotunda through the basement door. The Chief Executive, who served as an artillery captain during the First World War, walked quickly across the echoing marble floor to the casket, which was guarded by four enlisted men and one officer standing rigidly at attention.

MR MARSHALL'S EMOTION

Mr Truman stood alone for one minute, gazing silently down at Pershing's face. Then he stepped down from the catafalque and walked slowly out of the rotunda.

The Secretary of State, Mr George Marshall, who had been Pershing's military aide for five years and who was recommended by Pershing to be the Army's Chief of Staff in World War II gave way to a rare display of visible emotion when he visited the bier.

Concealed flood lights focussed on the catafalque. The tall, lean mustached officer was the perfect figure of a soldier in death as in life. His body was clothed in full military uniform with four stars on each shoulder. Holding the rank of the General of the Armies which he shared only with George Washington, General Pershing outranked all of the five-star generals of World War II and was entitled to wear as many stars as he chose. But he never wore more than four.—United Press.

New Shipping Service

Shanghai, July 18.—Regular China-Japan shipping service will be inaugurated on Wednesday with the departure of the China Merchants steamer, s.s. Sai Liao, for Kobe, according to Chinese reports.—Reuter.

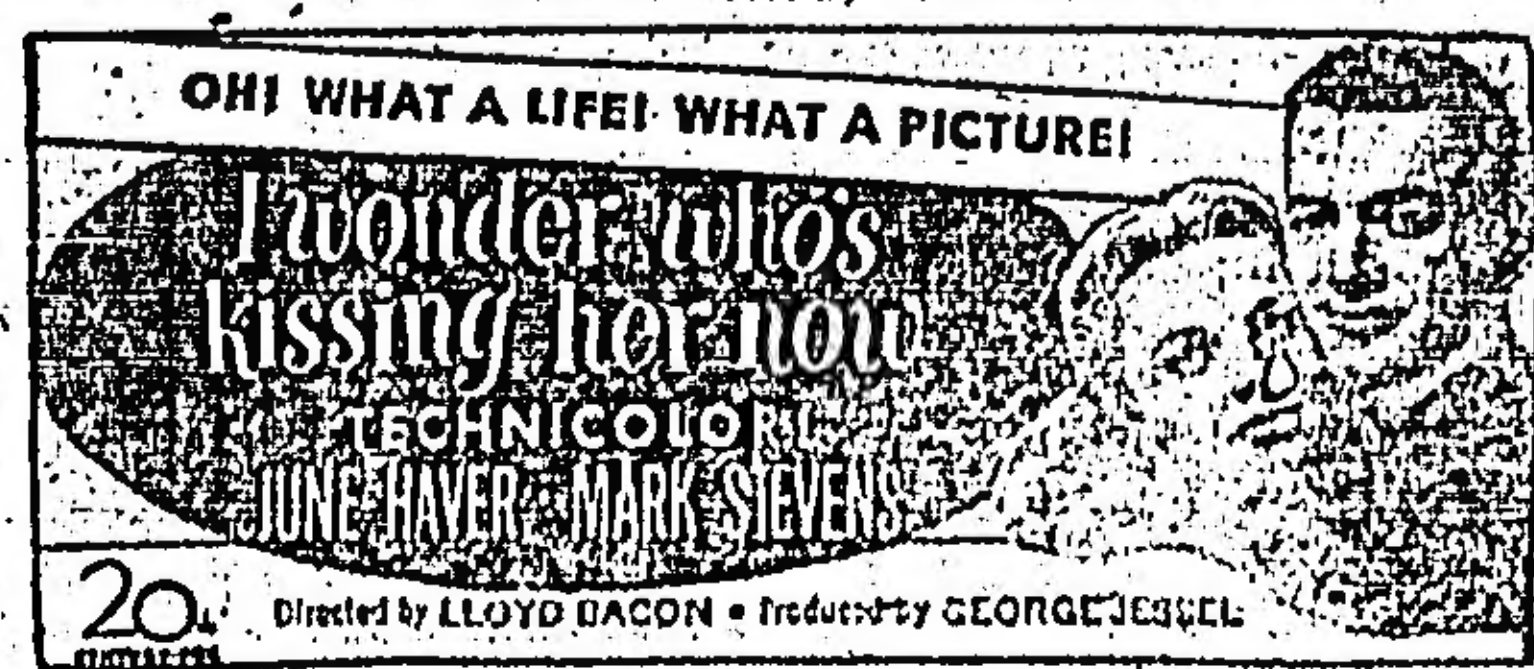
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Political Crisis In France

Important Assembly Vote Today

Paris, July 18.—All Sunday newspapers agreed that the vote tomorrow would be uncertain and it would be a close one, one way or the other. Some political writers speculated the tense situation in Berlin might make the Socialists hesitant to overthrow the Government now.

The Communist newspaper, Le Peuple, challenged the Socialists to match their deeds to their words when they voted. The Socialist paper, Le Populaire, did not comment editorially.

The Government meanwhile, is still trying to end the civil service strike which has hampered the administration for 10 days. Customs agents went back to work over the weekend and the honeymoon has ended for tourists, black-marketers and smugglers who had carted contraband across the frontiers duty-free for a week.

The strikes continued in the Ministries of Finance, Labour and National Education and 46 prefectures.

Finance workers, the backbone of the strike, were to vote today on whether to return to work.—United Press.

STRIKE TO CONTINUE

Paris, July 18.—The National Council of the non-Communist Finance Workers Trade Union tonight unanimously decided to continue the 10-day old strike of 60,000 Treasury employees, including customs officers and income tax collectors.

The announcement was made after a day-long consideration of the situation as affected by the Government's regrading. The joint Committee, representing the Communist CGT and the non-Communist Force Ouvriere and the Christian Federation, which met today to consider the action of employees in the Ministry, decided to call a meeting for tomorrow morning for the employees to decide whether or not they would return to work.—Reuter.

BRITAIN IS ACCUSED

Karachi, July 18.—The Nizam of Hyderabad accuses Britain of sacrificing "tried friends" because they had too little nuisance value, according to a statement in Hyderabad's dispute with India, released today by the Nizam's Agent General.

The accusation was contained in a letter to Lord Louis Mountbatten, who relinquished his post as Governor-General of India recently.

The Nizam's main charges against the Government of India are that the Delhi government failed to supply arms urgently needed for internal security in Hyderabad and did nothing to prevent border raids in spite of repeated representations.

In fact, the Hyderabad charges say, Indian soldiers were sent into the state in civilian dress to stir up trouble.

The documents add that under the standstill agreement, India promised Hyderabad foreign trade facilities but instead imposed economic blockade in spite of the solemn assurances given by Lord Mountbatten.

In a letter of complaint to Lord Mountbatten, the Nizam warned Britain that "to break faith with the weak is perhaps less of immediate disadvantage than to break faith with the strong, but assuredly in the end it brings its retribution."—Associated Press.

MOSLEM WOMEN ABDUCTED

Karachi, July 18.—Pakistan has asked the Malayan Government to help in tracing Moslem women abducted during the last communist disturbances from east Punjab and taken to Singapore and Malayan towns, a Government spokesman disclosed today.

The spokesman said that information in letters received from Malaya revealed that Moslem women had been taken there by Sikhs and kept in disguise.—Associated Press.

Miss Dixie

Miss Dixie DAYTONA BEACH JANUARY



Miss Jeanne Crow, 20, St. Petersburg, Fla., grins happily at Daytona Beach after being selected Miss Dixie of 1948. The 110 pound, 5 foot 4 brunette was selected from 27 entries of the southeast.—AP Picture.

Czech Police Crack Down On Patriots

Prague, July 18.—The first signs of a crack-down which many Czechs have predicted for weeks appeared in the last days of a festival when club-swinging police thrice dispersed shouting and singing crowds in Prague's Wenceslas Square and an undisclosed number of Sokol members were jailed.

Reliable reports this week said that the Police themselves are being mercilessly purged, apparently in preparation for the expected general crack-down, thorough-going house-cleaning is said to be under way in the Ministry of Interior reportedly precipitated by the arrest and subsequent escape last month of a high ministry official, Zbenek Oman.

The usual Saturday night gaiety had grim undertones in Prague last night.

One Czech glanced around before speaking and phrased it thus: "This is the beginning of a public performance. Up to now the producers have been busy behind the scenes of play. Tomorrow they will begin assembling the cast. It will have hundreds of parts, all of them will fit into the synopsis—a story of the villains from the West and the last act will be the final elimination of freedom in Czechoslovakia."—United Press.

Seeks Protection

Manila, July 18.—Jose Climaco, the husband of the murdered movie and radio star, Lillian Velaz, has sought protection from Quezon City police authorities, it was learned today.

Climaco said he had been noticing of late three suspicious men loitering around his home.—Reuter.



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